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END OF ERA

## Beechwood Church to close its doors

By Amanda C. Thompson  
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They say that God closes doors sometimes, but usually, they aren't talking about the doors of His Own house. This time, it's the doors of Beechwood Congregational Church that will be closing, despite all human efforts to keep them open.

"Beechwood's had 150 years of good impact in the neighborhood and in the community," Pastor Stephen McDonald said, with the sort of soft Southern twang that makes one an instant

celebrity in this part of the country. McDonald hails from Arkansas and his wife, Amanda, from Mississippi. "There's sadness," McDonald acknowledged, "but there's also celebration that God has seen fit to give us this long of a time." He said that Beechwood's final days will be a time of thanksgiving, not grief.

The struggle of declining membership has become a daily reality for churches across the board; Beechwood is not unique. As members age, pews remain conspicuously vacant of new young families rising

up to take their place. And the offering plates reflect that.

Beechwood hired McDonald in 2014, hoping a new face in the pulpit might infuse new life into a dwindling congregation. But the church was in decline long before McDonald took the pulpit, and it didn't come as a surprise when resources ran out. It's been a long time since the church was in the black, and 15 to 20 years since it could be called "thriving," or even "healthy."

In the stubborn spirit of New Englanders, members

held out for a miracle. They gave their prayers, their time, and their love. But the miracle never came. The message was clear. This winter, they voted 10-5 to close.

"There wasn't one big nail in the coffin," said McDonald. "It was a lot of little nails. You need people, resources, and energy to keep a machine going. Everybody recognized that it was time."

Momentum was not on its side, yet Beechwood still managed to touch lives



Beechwood Church has been a fixture in that neighborhood since 1867. COURTESY PHOTO BY ED HETTSTROM

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### PICTURE THIS

## Clark Brewer

**Name:** Clark Harlow Brewer

**Occupation:** Architect and  
Chairman of the Cohasset  
Planning Board.

**Best day of your life:** Any  
day I get up early enough to  
watch the sunrise over the  
ocean. Maybe the day the  
Cohasset Master Plan finally  
gets adopted will be the best  
day of my life...just kidding.

**Best (or worst) vaca-  
tion:** The best vacation  
was driving across America  
on a motorcycle in four  
weeks, sure it got cold and  
uncomfortable but, what  
a great country, visiting  
family, friends and visiting  
the national parks, really  
amazing. Next time I would  
definitely take a car.

**Favorite season:** Spring,  
the color of new green  
leaves and the birds every-  
where, sometimes I can hear  
10 different bird calls at the  
same time, not to mention  
the peepers or tree frogs at  
night, it is like a symphony.

**Favorite holiday:** Daylight  
Saving Day, spring forward, I  
love that extra hour of  
daylight and thinking about  
all the things I can get done  
with it.

**Favorite snack:** Family size  
bag of Fritos.

**Best book:** "The Necessity  
for Ruins," by J. B. Jackson  
and the "Tao of Pooh," by  
Benjamin Hoff.

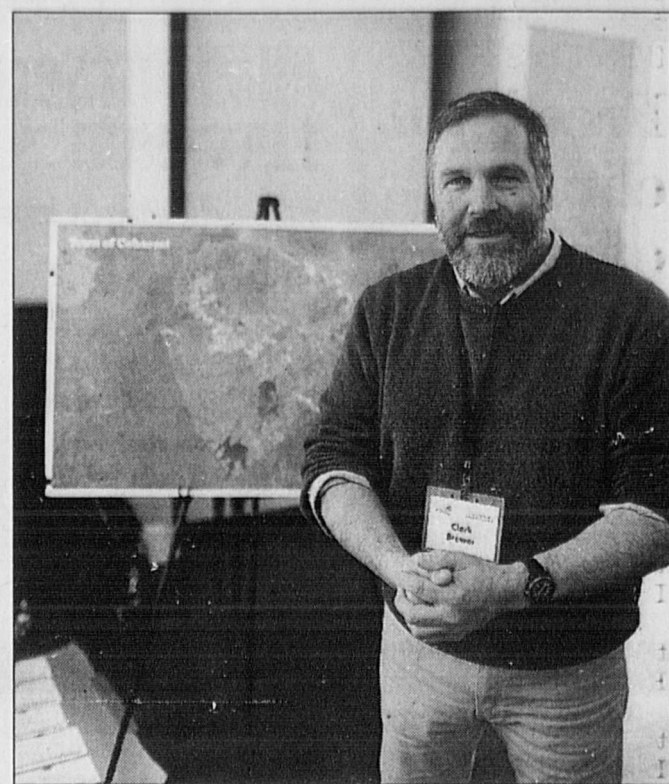
**Best movie:** "To Kill a  
Mockingbird" with Gregory  
Peck, a strong moral man  
and life in a small town,  
with all its quiet chaos and  
unreasonableness.

**Best TV show:** "Wings,"  
1990-1997, funny show  
about a small airport on  
Nantucket. "Bewitched,"  
1964-1972, a ridiculous  
premise, but a story about  
love and normalcy in chaotic  
circumstances.

**Best music, group, or  
artist:** I like almost all music  
but particularly the croon-  
ers, Frank Sinatra, Nat King  
Cole, Michael Buble.

**Pet peeve:** Arrogance and  
ignorance, wherever they  
exist. You know what I'm  
talking about.

**Most embarrassing  
moment:** I don't embar-  
rass easily, but give it a try  
sometimes. I think I was  
three when, seeing my mom  
busy doing something after  
church and wasn't leaving  
any time soon, I decided to  
walk the mile and half home,  
over the Southeast Express-  
way overpass in East Milton  
square. A police man at the



The Mariner caught up with Clark Brewer, chairman of the Planning Board, at the master plan "visioning session" on Saturday at Willcutt Commons. If you see Clark around town, be sure to tell him you saw him in Picture This! WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ROBIN CHAN

fire station saw me making  
my way down the sidewalk  
and brought me on his  
shoulder all the way back to  
my mom at church. I would  
have made it and it seemed  
like a long journey back, but  
was really only two blocks.

**Goal:** Getting my 59-year-  
old wooden sailboat, Gracie  
the H-28, back in the water  
this Spring after several  
years out.

**Person you'd most like to**

**meet:** R. Buckminster Fuller,  
scientist, author, inventor of  
the geodesic dome, he is a  
hero for me.

**Biggest worry:** I really  
try not to worry about  
things, let's call it, realistic  
optimism.

**Best part of Cohasset:**  
The dedicated, committed  
people in this Town, who  
really genuinely care. I love  
the beach, the woods, rocks  
and trees, too.

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### Photos



**Polar Plunge for  
Special Olympics**

### Video

**Dishing It Out**  
at PJ's Country House

### COHASSET ELDER AFFAIRS

## Matter of Balance starts next week

**New location:** Cohas-  
set Elder Affairs is now  
located at Willcutt Com-  
mons, 91 Sohier St. All  
events and activities will  
be held in that location  
unless otherwise noted.  
The center offers tours for  
visitors.

**Adult Coloring:** 8 a.m. to  
noon, daily. This creative  
activity helps people  
de-stress from everyday  
pressures. By donation,  
the center has a supply of  
books with intricate pat-  
terns. Bring colored pens,  
pencils or crayons or use  
the one's provided. The  
center will also provide  
coffee.

**A Matter of Balance:**  
1:30-3:30 p.m. March  
16-May 4. Facilitated by  
the Norwell Visiting Nurse  
Association, this evi-  
denced-based eight-week  
workshop is a program  
offering practical strate-  
gies to reduce the fear of  
falling and increase activity  
levels in older adults.  
Program is grant-funded  
so free of charge, but class  
size is limited. Sign-up is  
required.

**St. Patrick's Day Lun-  
cheon:** Noon, March 17.

A traditional corned beef  
and cabbage lunch will be  
offered. Irish music will be  
provided by entertainer Bill  
Reidy. Cost is \$7. Reserva-  
tions are required. Limited  
seating. First come, first  
served.

**Hearing Screenings:**  
12:30-2:30 p.m. March  
23. Mass Audiology will  
be at the center offering  
free hearing tests, hearing  
aid checkups and battery  
changes. Call to schedule  
an appointment.

**Community Garden Club  
Workshop:** 1:30 p.m.  
March 24. Work with the  
experts to create a spring  
arrangement to take home.  
Reservations required.  
Cost is \$3.

**Brown Bag Lunch and  
Movie:** March 28. "All  
Passion Spent." After a  
lifetime in the spotlight,  
Lady Slane (Wendy Hiller),  
the 85-year-old wife of a  
recently deceased politi-  
cian, is allowed to shed her  
public persona and retreat  
to a cottage in the Hamp-  
stead countryside. But  
rediscovering her identity  
is no easy task with med-  
dlesome family members  
constantly questioning her  
propriety.

## South Shore Tide Chart

### COHASSET HARBOR (WHITE HEAD)

MAR. 2016		HIGH				LOW				SUNRISE	SUNSET
		AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.	AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.		
Thursday	10			12:03	10.8	5:44	-1.6	6:10	-1.7	6:02	5:44
Friday	11	12:28	10.8	12:53	10.7	6:35	-1.8	6:58	-1.6	6:01	5:45
Saturday	12	1:17	10.8	1:45	10.3	7:26	-1.7	7:48	-1.2	5:59	5:46
Sunday	13	3:08	10.6	3:40	9.8	9:20	-1.4	9:41	-0.7	6:57	6:47
Monday	14	4:02	10.3	4:38	9.3	10:16	-0.9	10:37	-0.1	6:56	6:49
Tuesday	15	5:00	9.9	5:40	8.8	11:16	-0.4	11:37	0.4	6:54	6:50
Wednesday	16	6:02	9.4	6:47	8.4			12:20	0.1	6:52	6:51
Thursday	17	7:08	9.2	7:54	8.2	12:40	0.8	1:26	0.3	6:50	6:52

Please be aware that all tide charts are really just predictions and assume average weather conditions. Usually, onshore winds or low barometric pressure will produce higher tides than predicted and vice-versa.

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■ Sept. 13, Quincy District Court, 1 Dennis Ryan Parkway, Quincy

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## POLICE BEAT

## Investigation of drug fight results in charges

By Mary Ford  
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Police have issued an arrest warrant for a 25-year-old Hull man, James Reichardt of 48 Bates St., who is alleged to have pistol-whipped another man over a drug deal gone badly on Saturday (Jan. 16) around 10:25 p.m. on the steps of St. Stephen's Church on S. Main Street.

The arrest warrant was served on Reichardt at the Bridgewater Correctional Complex where he is serving 30-days in custody on an unrelated matter.

A Cohasset couple on their way home from dinner witnessed the alleged assault.

Police responded to the scene on a report of two men fighting, one of whom may have had a firearm.

Upon arrival, police found a 33-year-old Hull man bleeding profusely with blunt-force trauma to the left side of his face near his eye and to the back of his head.

Investigation revealed the alleged victim had set up a drug deal with Reichardt and they planned to meet on the stairs of the church. The two met up that night and Reichardt allegedly stole a quantity of marijuana and sugar cubes injected with LSD from the alleged victim and allegedly hit him on the head the handgun.

Reichardt, who formerly lived in Cohasset, is being charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon (handgun); armed robbery with a firearm; and assault and battery.

Assisting Cohasset police detectives with the investigation were detectives from Hingham and Hull police, along with Special Agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (a federal agency) and the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department.

Cohasset Police Chief Bill Quigley praised the tenacity and resolve of his detectives saying, "This was a solid investigation that resulted in a person with a penchant for violence being kept off of the streets."

## Slid on ice

The 2002 Toyota Sequoia that a 21-year-old Duxbury woman was driving slid on the ice on Reservoir Road as she tried to turn left onto Pleasant Street on Saturday (March 5) around 11 a.m. The Toyota flipped over and the driver was transported to the hospital with minor injuries. Officers had to back down Pleasant Street and come around via Pond Street due to the icy condition of that stretch of road. The DPW was called to treat the road surface. The Toyota was towed.

## Fender-bender

Two elderly men backed into each other at Cohasset Plaza by Santander Bank on Monday afternoon (Feb. 29): a 79-year-old Cohasset man in a 2011 Honda Accord and a 84-year-old Scituate man in a 2008 Subaru Forrester. Damage was minor but they wanted the mishap logged.

## Mattress dumped

A caller reported a mattress dumped at the end of Parker Avenue on Monday afternoon (Feb. 29) on town land. The DPW was notified to pick up the mattress; police do not know who left it there. The fine for illegal dumping is \$250.

## Car towed

A 2015 Jeep was towed following a traffic stop on Monday (Feb. 29) around 5:52 p.m. on Chief Justice Cushing Highway at Beechwood Street. An officer saw the Jeep, operated by a 35-year-old Norwell woman who was headed south on 3A, run the red light and pulled her over. Checks through the Registry of Motor Vehicles showed the registration to the Jeep was revoked due to cancellation of insurance. The driver is being summoned to court for operating an uninsured motor vehicle, operating an unregistered motor vehicle and with a red light violation.



**WEATHER-RELATED CRASH:** This 2002 Toyota Sequoia that a 21-year-old Duxbury woman was driving slid on the ice on Reservoir Road as she tried to turn left onto Pleasant Street on Saturday. COURTESY PHOTO

## Tree down

National Grid was called to the scene of wires being taken down by a tree at Sohier Street and Chittenden Lane on Tuesday (March 1) around 4:13 a.m. The road was shut down for about an hour while the tree was removed by the DPW; National Grid had to shut off power in the area temporarily, police said.

## MVA

Police responded to a two-car crash on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) and Beechwood Street on Tuesday (March 1) around 9:47 a.m.

A 2007 Toyota Corolla, operated by a 94-year-old Cohasset woman, was headed north when she attempted to turn left onto Beechwood Street and failed to yield to a south-bound vehicle.

The Corolla hit a 2015 Audi sedan, operated by a 48-year-old Cohasset woman. There were no reported injuries and neither car was towed. The 94-year-old was cited for failure to yield to oncoming traffic, police said.

## Intoxicated

Police received two reports of intoxicated

people who had stopped at the Stop & Shop gas station on Route 3A last week. At 5:04 p.m. on Tuesday (March 1), they received a call about a 52-year-old Wakefield man who had gotten out of his friend's car at the gas station and walked off. The friend, who is 43 and from Norwell, said his friend had been drinking vodka right before he got out. Police could not locate the Wakefield man, who is originally from Cohasset, and there were no further reports.

At 2:10 a.m. on Wednesday (March 2), a caller reported that a woman in a green minivan appeared to be drunk at the gas station. Police ran the plate on the 1997 Plymouth Voyager that came back to a 49-year-old Weymouth woman. Area police were notified to be on the look out but she did not turn up.

## Facebook

It is not clear why Cohasset police received a call from a Florida man to check on a woman that he had been connecting with on Facebook and via text messages but who now wanted to harm herself.

Police were able to ping the woman's cell phone in Haverhill and the Haverhill police located her. She denied the report and does

not want anything to do with the man who connected with her.

## Plates seized

Police seized the plates of a 2005 Toyota Corolla that have been revoked even though the car was parked in a private driveway on Wednesday (March 2). Police receive a daily report from the Registry of Motor Vehicles with that type of information. They are allowed to enter private property to recover plates for the RMV.

## Passport missing

A Cohasset man went to the police station last week to report his passport was missing. Under Homeland Security, a police report has to be filed before a replacement passport can be issued, police said.

## Flat tire

The driver of a 2011 BMW out of Plymouth that was reported with its flashers on along Chief Justice Cushing Highway was just trying to find a safe place to pull over due to a flat tire, police said. The driver was a 65-year-old Plymouth man.

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GENERAL TIRE



## SPECIAL OLYMPICS

# Taking the PLUNGE!

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The 18th Annual Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Massachusetts at Nantasket Beach took place Saturday with 576 brave plungers. Teams came from high schools and colleges, businesses, and Special Olympics' community programs, with men and women ranging from age 8 to over 80! The boardwalk railing was packed with close to 1,000 spectators enjoying the spectacle, and cheering enthusiastically for the plungers.

The events began with costume parade/competition with outfits ranging from "Pro Wrestlers" to a team of "Plunging Pirates," "Sharks" and "Polar Care Bears".

Then came the wild, adrenalin-pumping charge of the brave plungers through the strong wind, and into the frigid surf. All survived the icy water, but didn't hang out long in the bitter wind when they emerged! Plungers were protected by the U.S. Coast Guard in dry suits standing guard in the surf.

So far all the plunges have raised over \$356,000 (\$200,000 at Nantasket alone) to support year-round training, and 130 competitions in 23 sports for 13,000 athletes and partners in Massachusetts. Special Olympics doesn't charge athletes or their families to participate — it's free — so these funds are vitally important. Even with the help of 10,000 volunteers, it costs some \$500 per year to support each athlete.

It's not too late to support the athletes with a donation. Mail a check payable to Special Olympics to your favorite plunger, or go online to the secure website to donate at [www.PolarPlungeMA.org](http://www.PolarPlungeMA.org).



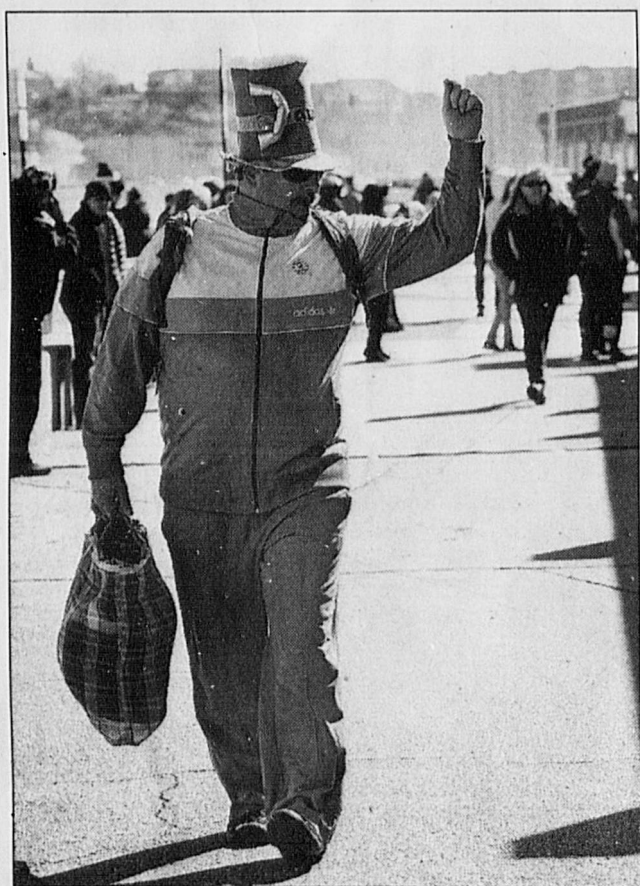
Hundreds of people rush towards the water at the start of the 2016 Polar Plunge at Nantasket Beach on Saturday, March 5.



The South Shore Mariners lead the costume parade for the 2016 Polar Plunge.



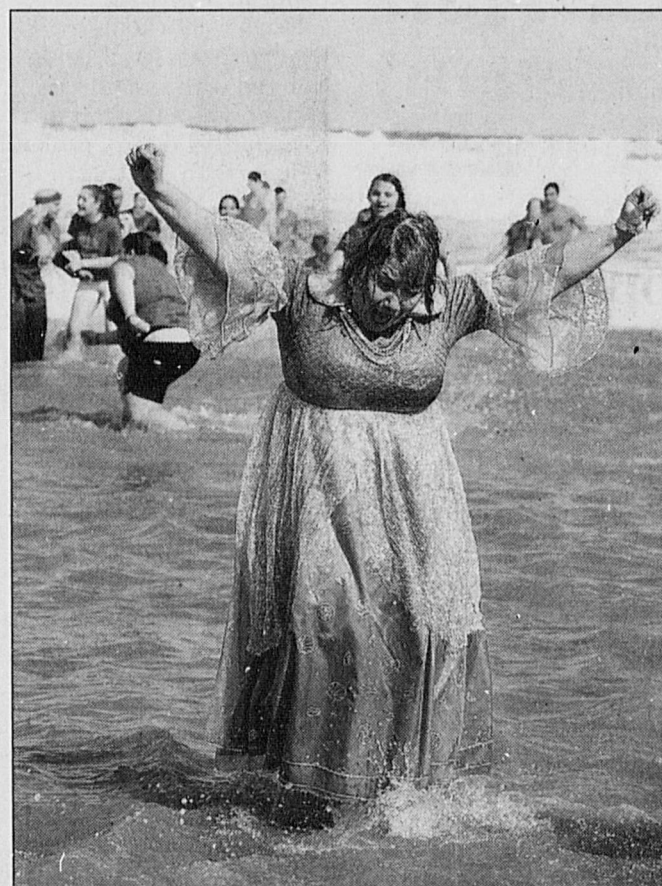
Steve Swanson of Shrewsbury carries the pirate flag during the costume parade with his crew.



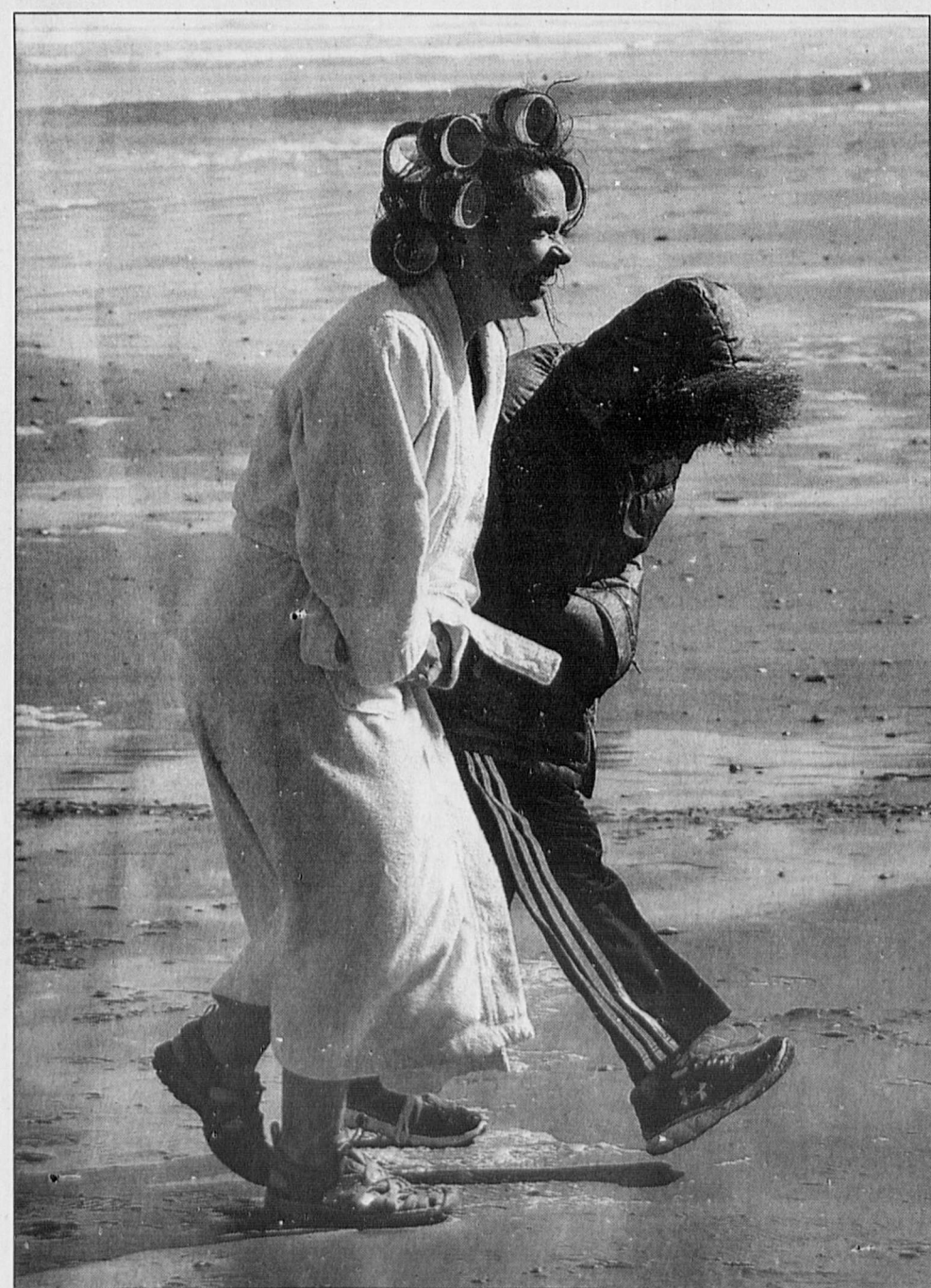
"Paddy Bears" aka Patrick Averill of Cohasset dance to the music while walking down the sidewalk during the costume parade.



Liz Fossum of Shrewsbury is a Spring Chicken for the 2016 Polar Plunge.



Dawn Fitzgerald of Norwood raises her arms in triumph after taking a dip into the ocean.



Karyn Dann of Ashland and Luke Lander, 9, of Medway walk up and down the beach while trying to keep warm before the start of the 2016 Polar Plunge.



Dan Santos of Wilmington waits for the start of the Polar Plunge in his Grumpy Bear outfit.



Mea Hevner, 12, Kaylee Wallace, 12, Cameron Hevner, 11, and Reid Dubois, 10, all of Lowell try to keep warm before the start of the Polar Plunge.



## SAVE THE DATE

# Something for everyone at Health & Rec Fair

The Health & Recreation Fair is one-stop shopping for everything from kid's activities to health screenings to acupuncture. Now in its 8th year, the Fair is Coordinated by Mary Goodwin, Cohasset's Public Health Nurse, and Ted Carroll, Director of Cohasset Recreation. Last year 1,000 visitors attended. Mark your calendar for Sunday, March 20th, from 1 to 4 p.m. Deer Hill School, Sohier Street.

Listed are the participants so far.

## Recreation

Amy DiLillo - Aroma Touch Practitioner; Archery Center; Bianca Furtado - Face Painting; Boy Scouts - Crew 18; Camp Hawkeyes; Camp Marist; Carriage House Nursery School; Cohasset Education Foundation; Cohasset Cheer Boosters; Cohasset PSO; Cohasset Recreation; Cohasset Recreation Yoga; Cohasset Rotary Club; Cohasset Sailing Club; Cohasset Swim Center; Cohasset Swim/Dive Team; Cohasset Youth Baseball/Softball; Dedeco Brazilian Jiu Jitsu; Derby Academy Summer Programs; Friends of Holly Hill Farm; Girl Scouts of Eastern Mass.; Hull Yacht Club; Jumbo the Clown; Magic Joe; New England Bubble Soccer; Northeast



Austin Ronan and Hilton Hudson learn how to play chess from the 'Chess Wizard' Sam Perry during last year's Cohasset Health and Recreation Fair. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO/ALYSSA STONE

Surfing; Playtime with Linda Bolster; Project 351; RAD Kids; Scituate/Cohasset Newcomers Club; SCICOH Football; Sport Specific Fitness; South Shore Art Center; South Shore Natural Science Center; Super Soccer Stars; US Coast Guard Auxiliary; Xplosion Dance Studios

## Health

AlAnon; Bamboo Garden Acupuncture; Brewster Ambulance; Cohasset Dental - Concussion awareness; Cohasset Elder Affairs; Cohasset Family Chiropractic; Cohasset Fire Department; Cohasset Police Department; Cohasset SEPAC; Children's Melanoma Education Foundation; Dana-Farber's Blum

Family Resource Van; Dave Morgan, pharmacist; Healing Field; Health Watch; Holly Dolben - Reiki Master; Learn 2 Cope; Lyme and Pans Treatment Center; Mass. Dept. of Public Health; Norfolk County Sheriff's Office; Norfolk County District Attorney's Office - Norwell VNA; Oral Cancer screening - Dr. Robin Lawrence; Pure Haven Essentials; Safe Harbor, Cohasset Coalition; South Shore Children's Dentistry; South Shore Hospital Radiology; South Shore Hospital - Mobility Training South Shore VNA; Hospice of the South Shore and Home and Health Resources; Strecker Eye Center; Veteran's Service Agent - Vinny Fontaine.

## HOLLY HILL FARM

### Summer Camp open house

Holly Hill Farm is located at 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset, MA; 781-383-6565; hollyhillfarm.org.

**HOLLY HILL FARM SUMMER CAMP 2016:** The farm has a wide variety of fun, exploratory, creative, intriguing programs for all ages. Kids ages 3 and 4 can taste spinach. Children ages 7 and 8 can spend a morning at the marsh. Preteens ages 9 and 10 can compete in an obstacle course. Teenagers can prepare for an exciting overnight at the Farm. Adults can spend a week honing gardening skills and cooking vegetables for a special Parents Go to Camp. Too program. Go to the website and click on the camp signup photo to learn more about individual sessions and to register early. Camp Open House will be 10 a.m. to noon March 19. Sessions begin June 6 and continue through Aug. 26. Call or email the farm: 781-383-6565 or friendsofhollyhillfarm@gmail.com.

**SEED STARTING WORKSHOP:** Holly Hill Farms will host an ongoing series on growing seeds, greens and early root crops from 10 a.m. to noon March 12. The farm will host an informative, hands-on, productive workshop and get a head start on early spring seedlings. Be prepared to take some starts home as well, as there is much to grow this season. Attendees will have an opportunity to take home free seeds and purchase packets of organic seed. Cost is \$12 members; \$15 nonmembers.

**SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS:** As the farm teachers busy themselves with scheduling field trips and planning for spring seeds, there are still programs to teach at schools. Recently, an indoor vermicompost was taught at The South Shore Educational Collaborative. An indoor bin for food scraps and added red wiggler worms was started to do the work of making compost. Soon, attendees will look at seed catalogues at The Old Colony Montessori School elementary classroom.

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## 5 THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK



This young engineer watches a model train roll by at the South Shore Model Railway Club in Hingham which is hosting an open house this weekend. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO

**1 RAILWAY CLUB:** South Shore Model Railway Club Spring Show & Open House will be on Saturday, March 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, March 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 52 Bare Cove Park Drive, Hingham. The entrance to Bare Cove Park is located at 19 Fort Hill St. In addition to the club's operating layout and guest layouts, there will be dealer tables, a "White Elephant Table" and demonstrations of model railroad construction. Admission is \$5 for Adults, \$3 Senior's (65+), Children (5-12, with an adult). For more information call 781-740-2000, visit: [www.ssmrc.org](http://www.ssmrc.org) or the club's Facebook page [atfacebook.com/ssmrc](https://www.facebook.com/ssmrc)

**2 DANCING WITH STARS:** Congregation Sha'aray Shalom Sisterhood is presenting "Dancing Under the Stars" on Saturday, March 12th, at 7:30 p.m. Seven dance teams will be competing to raise money for the Temple's youth scholarship

programs. The event will take place at 1112 Main St., Hingham. Join in the fun partaking of cocktails and desserts while enjoying the friendly dance competition, the professional dance exhibition, and the complimentary swing lessons. Ticket purchases for \$25, and donations supporting each of the competing couples, can be made on the Congregation Sha'aray Shalom website: [shaaray.org](http://shaaray.org).

**3 TREE HEARING:** Scheduled for 7 p.m. March 14 in the basement conference room at Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., to discuss the removal of one ash tree next to the Meetinghouse Pond on Jason Road. This tree has reached a state of irreversible decline, which will progress until the tree dies. This tree poses an unreasonable risk of failure and should be removed. It is not necessary to attend the hearing. However, objections must be received in writing by the tree warden.

**4 ON STAGE:** Cohasset Dramatic Club presents the musical comedy "Guys and Dolls," opening at 7:30 p.m. March 11 at Cohasset Town Hall Theater, 41 Highland Ave. Other performance dates are: 7:30 p.m. March 12, 18-19, 24-26; and 2 p.m. March 13 and 20. "Guys and Dolls" is a romantic comedy wrapped up in dice games, nightclub glitz and glamour, and big musical numbers. Tickets are \$20 for general admission. For a cast list, further information or to purchase tickets online, visit [cohassetdramaticclub.org](http://cohassetdramaticclub.org). Group tickets can be reserved by calling 617-922-0280.

**5 FOOD DRIVE:** Boy Scout Troop 28 is conducting a Perishable/Produce food drive for the Cohasset Food Pantry on Sunday, March 13th at Stop & Shop from 12:30 to 3 p.m. Fresh produce is very hard to come by during winter and early spring so any donations will be greatly appreciated.

### AROUND TOWN

## Cohasset NDA students earn honors

### Daylight Saving

Well Cohasset, I am writing this column at the Scituate Lighthouse in 70-degree weather on March 9th! Yup, life is good today! Don't forget that Sunday is Daylight Saving Time and spring ahead! Turn your clocks ahead 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday night. Enjoy an extra hour of sunlight. Have a great week, welcome the spring one day at a time and enjoy it all!

### Georgetown

I have some great news a young man to share. **Matt Gregory** achieved first honors for fall semester at Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service. In order to achieve this, a student must have a GPA of 3.9 or higher. Matt is currently in Amman, Jordan studying diplomacy and Arabic. Matt's family and friends are extremely proud and we all wish you the best Matt!

### NDA honors

Notre Dame Academy announced the following students from Cohasset made the honor roll for term two:

■ **Madison Ahern, Samantha Baker, Grace Basile, Megan Bowen, Leah Cook, Samantha Hughes and Anne Pyne** were named to the president's list;  
 ■ **Caroline Adams, Ashley Antico, Bridget Desjourdy, Elizabeth Desjourdy, Elizabeth Donahue, Anne Griffin, Samantha Janssens, Emily Lengyel and Camerin Rawson** were named to the principal's list;  
 ■ **Allison Beiche, Ciara Carlyle, Carol Demick, Kristina Dietrich, Elizabeth Faherty, Taylor Kelley, Emma Montefusco, Sophia Pitts, Emily Ryan and Katherine Welsh** were named with honors.



JENNIFER PIEPENBRINK

### Thayer Academy

Thayer Academy Middle School announces the First Term Honor Roll. Hats off to the following Cohasset students:

■ **Mary Clare Boselli**, grade 8 – Honors  
 ■ **Annabel Doherty**, grade 8 – High Honors  
 ■ **Margaret Dugan**, grade 6 – High Honors  
 ■ **Olivia Garelickv**, grade 7 – Honors  
 ■ **Annabelle Graziano**, grade 6 – High Honors  
 ■ **Quinn Havlicek**, grade 7 – Honors  
 ■ **Sydney Langenhagen**, grade 8 – Honors  
 ■ **Quinn McConnaughey**, grade 7 – Honors  
 ■ **Healy O'Donnell**, grade 7 – High Honors

### Sailing Club

The time has arrived! Cohasset Sailing Club is holding its registration for the 2016 sailing season at the clubhouse on Government Island. Stop by on tomorrow, Saturday, March 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or on Sunday, March 13 from 10 a.m. to noon. Please note that your only opportunity to renew an existing dock space is at this one-and-only in-person registration so don't miss out.

### Seed workshop

Here is something that definitely rings out SPRING! How about a Seed Starting Workshop tomorrow, Saturday, March 12, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Join in this ongoing series on growing your own seeds, greens and early root crops. Come to Holly

Hill Farm for an informative, hands-on, productive workshop and get a head start on early spring seedlings. You will have an opportunity to take home free seeds and purchase packets of organic seed. The price is \$12 members/\$15 non-members and takes place at Holly Hill Farm. Call 781-383-6565 with any questions.

### St. Pat's event

A great event is coming to celebrate the Luck of the Irish, even if you are not! St. Anthony Parish will host its annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Party on Saturday, March 19. Join in for some Irish food, fun and music featuring "The Silver Spears". Cocktails and appetizers at 6 p.m. Traditional Irish dinner served at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$30/individual and \$20/senior...and can be purchased online at: [bitly.com/stpatsparty2016](http://bitly.com/stpatsparty2016) or can be purchased at the Parish Center and after weekend masses. Put this on on your calendars for a fantastic time!

*That is the news for this week Cohasset. Send in all your news, photos and celebration info to me no later than Tuesdays by 2 pm.*

*Just an FYI. We receive dean's list and honors notices from many colleges and private schools, but not all. If your son or daughter has earned recognition, please share that news directly with us!*

*We also LOVE new baby announcements with photos if possible. Need birth date, weight, length, names of siblings, parents and grandparents. Emailed photos are fine but glossies can be dropped off at Tedeschi's in the village in our Mariner drop box.*

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## HEALTH



Shelter director Ashley Davis, pictured with a client, wants everyone to know about the upcoming rabies clinic. COURTESY PHOTO

## Calling all pet owners

For South Shore residents, the cost of owning a cat or dog could be just a little less this Spring.

On Sunday April 3rd, the Scituate Animal Shelter, in conjunction with Scituate Animal Control, will host a low cost rabies vaccination clinic at the Shelter, with services provided by Norwell-based Black Pond Veterinary Services. No appointments will be necessary, and each vaccination is just \$15.

Cat rabies vaccinations will be from 9 to 10 a.m., and dog vaccinations from 10 to 11 a.m., on a first come, first served basis. All pets must be leashed or in carriers. Pet owners are encouraged to bring any previous rabies

vaccination paperwork that they might have.

At the event, dog owners who would like to turn in their dog's "choke" collars will be provided with a free martingale-style collar, which provides more control over the dog without the choking effect of a slip collar. Canine experts will be on hand to fit each dog.

Additionally, Missing Dogs Massachusetts, a local non profit dedicated to reuniting dog owners with their lost pets, will be offering important information on how to keep your dog safe, and what steps to take should he or she ever go missing.

For information: 781-545-8709 or info@scituateanimalshelter.org

## GIMME SHELTER

# Teddy Bear is a lovable loner

By Tammy Hatch

Meet Teddy Bear, an 8-year-old black cat with expectant golden eyes and small patch of white hair on his chest. He was recently surrendered by an owner who was notified by her landlord that small pets were no longer going to be permitted and anyone that had cat or small dog had to make other arrangements for them.

Teddy Bear was the only pet living in a very quiet home and he is finding it very difficult to adjust to the commotion at the shelter. He gets easily overwhelmed when the girls in his room approach him and the poor boy runs away and escapes to the nooks of the tree hut.

Teddy Bear is a gentle and sweet loner type with a very mellow personality who will thrive in a quiet and loving adult-only home. If you are looking for a cat who is affectionate, enjoys being held and nestling up with humans for cuddle time, then this may just be the boy for you.



Teddy Bear was recently surrendered by an owner who was notified by her landlord that small pets were no longer going to be permitted. COURTESY PHOTO

You can learn more about Teddy Bear as well as the other cats and kittens we have available for adoption by visiting us online at [www.hsar.org](http://www.hsar.org) or

by visiting us at our new location, 487 Nantasket Ave., Hull.

Open hours are Monday nights, 6:30 to 7:30, and Saturdays, 2 to 3

p.m. If these times are not convenient for you, special appointments can be made by calling our adoption coordinator at 781-534-4902.

We still have a supply of 2016 Kittendales calendars available! Calendars can be purchased on-line, at the shelter during open hours or at Toast Restaurant in Hull.

### Donations

We rely heavily on community support and donations, and I would like to give a special thank you to the many people who have made generous donations even though they have not adopted from us, as well as to the many people who give beyond the adoption fee and donate towards the care of the cats and kittens that remain with us while they await a forever home.

—Tammy Hatch is a Volunteer and Board Member at Hull Seaside Animal Rescue.

## SCHOOLS

## Kindergarten registration to start March 14-15

Cohasset Public Schools will hold registration for kindergarten students from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 14-15 at the Joseph Osgood School, 210 Sohier St.

Students whose last name begins with the letters A-L will register March 14, and students whose last name begins with the letters M-Z will register March 15.

To assist parents with the process, packets with the paperwork are available at the Osgood School. Paperwork should be completed prior to arrival, as a number of essential items must be included.

This year the district has planned for five full-day and one half-day classrooms, enrolling no more than 20

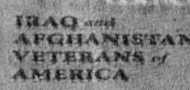
students per classroom. Prior to arrival, parents should reflect on class options. If parents decide to utilize full-day kindergarten, a deposit check will be required at the time of registration to hold the student's placement. In the event more students register than there are seats, a lottery will be held April 1.

An orientation is scheduled

for March 18, at which time parents will be introduced to the full array of kindergarten activities covering items such as traveling on the bus, sample schedules and helpful information to assist families with negotiating their student's entry into school.

For more information, call the Joseph Osgood School at 781-382-6117.

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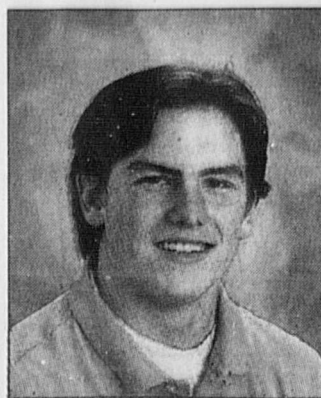
## Cohasset students inducted into National Honor Society

Adam Kucinski a senior, and Matthew Doyle, Griffin Gildea and Liam McDonald of Cohasset, juniors at Boston College High School, were four of the 136 students inducted into the Robert J. Fulton, SJ chapter of the National Honor Society at the Hunter-Fahey Commons on Jan. 28.

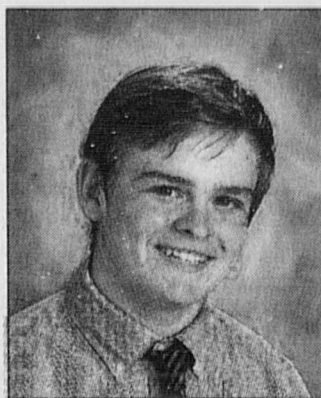
The National Honor Society Officers welcomed the guests and spoke about the pillars of excellence that guides the work of the Society: scholarship, character,

leadership and service. New members received congratulations and certificates from Principal Stephen Hughes '73 and Assistant Principal Charles Drane. Earlier, the inductees received gold NHS pins that were worn on their jacket lapels during the ceremony.

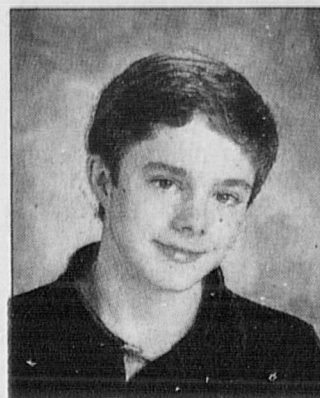
NHS faculty moderator Patricia Keenan-Byrne welcomed the new members and invited guest speaker, English teacher Michael Frost, to address the group. Mr. Frost offered an inspiring



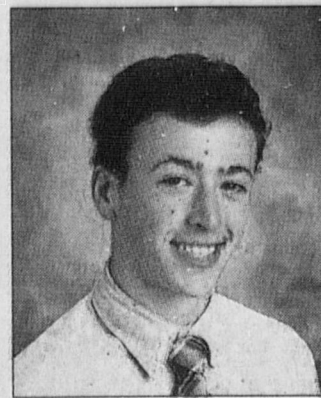
Adam Kucinski, senior. message to the young men about living the values of



Griffin Gildea, junior. scholarship, character, leadership and service as an



Matthew Doyle, junior. adult. Dr. Matthew Finnegan and the BC High Concert



Liam McDonald, junior. Band provided the music for the ceremony.

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### REGISTRATION

## Road Race turning 40

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The 10K race begins at

1 p.m. The Fran Coffey Memorial Walk, which takes place on the same day, begins at 10 a.m. at Willcutt Commons parking lot. The majority of the Walk follows the road race route, however, it starts and ends at 91 Sohler Street.

E-mail roadracebythesea@gmail.com if you're interested in sponsoring or volunteering.

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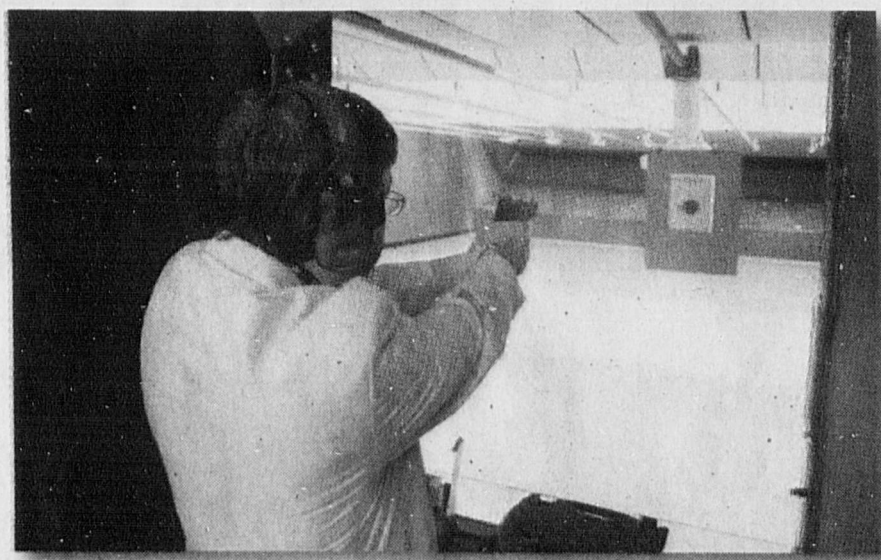
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What does gun ownership look like in our communities?



## COMING NEXT WEEK

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## PLAN

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from this community," said Adelman. "The great thing about New England towns is the bottom-up government, but it doesn't work unless people do it."

Attendees took a bus tour of the town, guided by Planning Board Chairman Clark Brewer, before convening at Willcutt Commons to share their hopes and dreams for the future of Cohasset. Food for thought was provided in the form of cut fruit, Panera coffee, and donuts.

Upwards of 60 residents stopped by the open house between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. That's a pretty good crowd — better than average, according to Steve Winter, economic development manager at MAPC.

During the open house, guests circled the room, visiting a succession of stations. First, they had the chance to view a variety of maps of Cohasset, each highlighting an important facet of the town — sewers and streams, commercial and business districts, and a breakdown of residence types, among others.

Then, they were asked to place a sticker on a large map of the town, showing where they lived. This was, in part, to give officials from the town and from MAPC a sense of who was represented in Saturday's data. But it was also a warm-up for all the hands-on activities that followed.

At the next station, guests were given a marker and three slips of paper, marked "Strengths," "Challenges," and "Opportunities." A volunteer taped up the completed forms so other guests could view them. Unsurprisingly, many named the beach or other sources of

natural beauty as the town's greatest strength.

The following station was similar. Guests were invited to share their top three concerns going forward in the town. "Overdevelopment," "village business district," and "affordable housing" were popular answers.

Finally, guests arrived at a table spread with dozens of photographs. This table's goal was to assess visual preference. People were invited to choose the pictures they would most (or least) like to see reflected in Cohasset, such as outdoor cafes and dining, playgrounds, and festivals or activities.

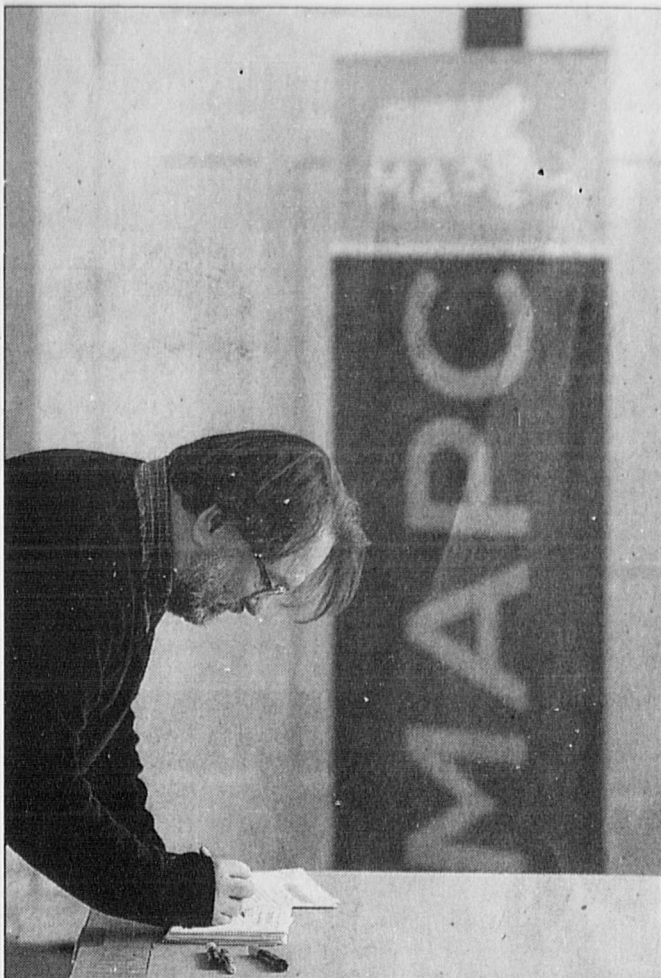
"If we only see people choose images that are status quo, versus if we see a lot of people choose challenging images, it answers the question, 'How daring or traditional is this crowd?'" explained Winter.

MAPC is still sifting through the data, which is a good thing — that means there's plenty of it. The visioning session was a component of what officials call "planning for the plan" — an early, brainstorming stage of creating a Master Plan.

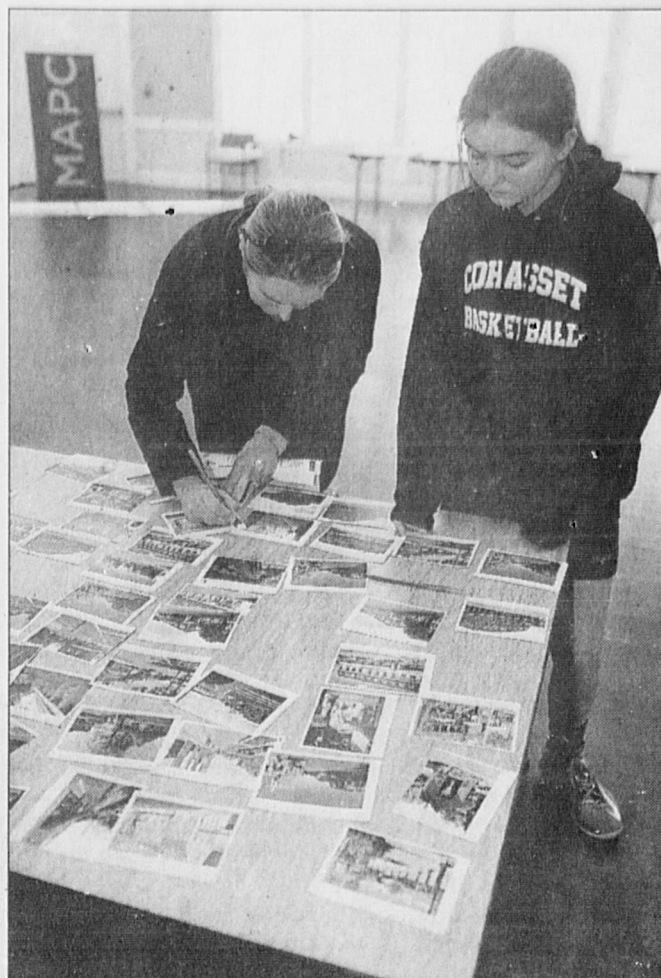
"It's like a blank canvas," said Renato Castelo, community engagement specialist for MAPC. "We want the people to populate it, and we don't want to frame their thinking."

This session was just the first of many opportunities and avenues for the people of Cohasset to voice their priorities, hopes, and concerns. Stay tuned for future opportunities to participate in the Master Planning process — your voice is important!

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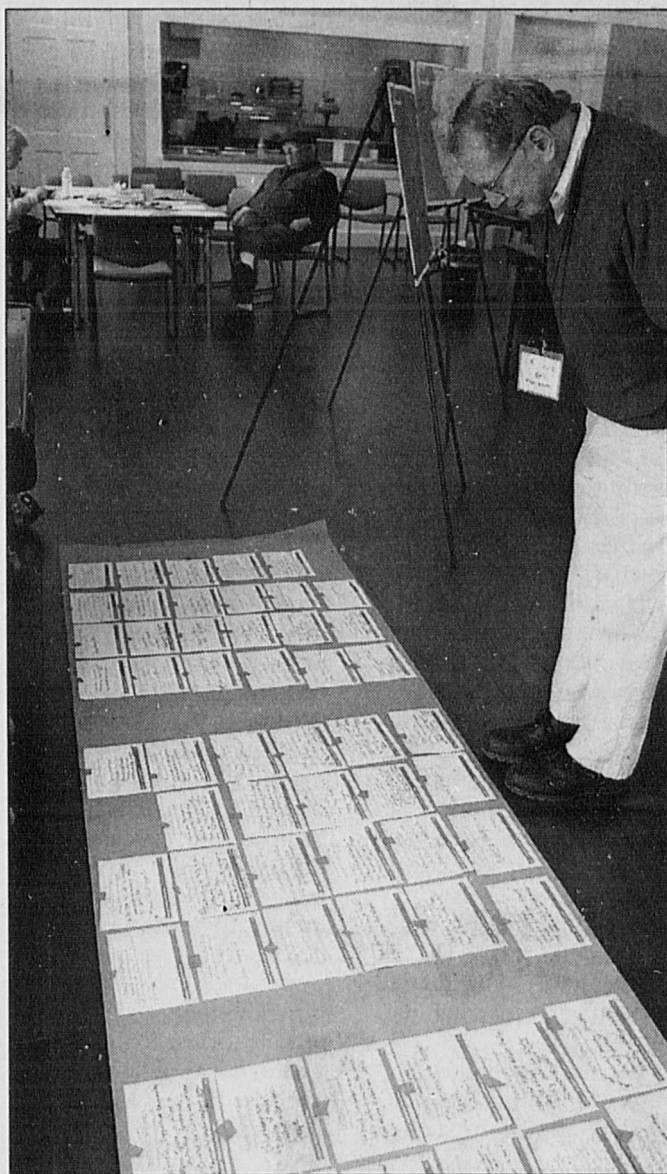
David Game fills out the Strengths, Challenges, and Opportunities that Cohasset faces at the session to help shape the master plan during the event at Willcutt Commons on Saturday. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTOS / ROBIN CHAN



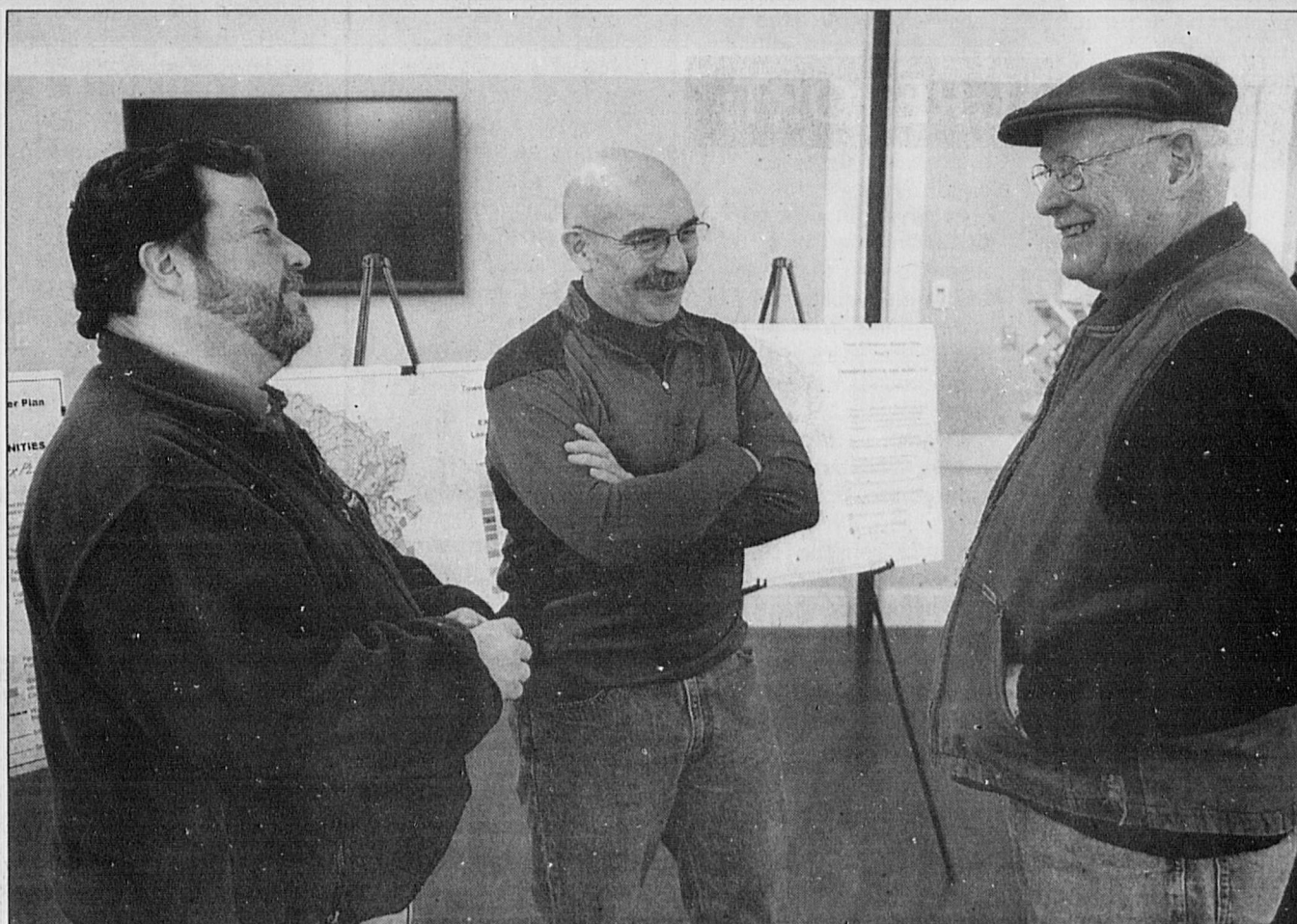
Helena Nee fills out her feelings of a picture that could be part of Cohasset's future while her daughter, Lisel, 11, looks on.



Nan Roth checks out the pictures that could be in Cohasset's future.



Ed Wadsworth reads the different thoughts residents left on the strengths, challenges, and opportunities that Cohasset faces.



Fran Collins, right, shares a laugh with town manager Chris Senior and fire chief Robert Silvia during the event.

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HINT: The Latin roots of the word "subpoena" include "sub," which means "under," and "poena," which means "penalty."

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# OPINION

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## OUR VIEW

## 'Tis the season for tax scams

It's tax season — or that time of year when we give our most personal information away with the hope there's some extra cash on the other end of the tunnel of paperwork.

In the best-case (and most likely) scenario, we get some extra cash to start our spring wardrobe.

But there are a lot of scammers also hoping to make an extra buck during the tax season, and they're sophisticated enough to go after more than seniors. In other words, everyone is at risk and needs to be smarter about their sensitive information.

Simply being aware goes a long way.

"Our first goal is education," said Lea Crusberg, a spokeswoman for the IRS. "File an accurate return, and don't take the bait from email and phone scams."

Police say the now well-known IRS scam has victims paying out funds to avoid having an arrest warrant issued. If the person pays, they just lose the money. It's almost always untraceable.

The office of the U.S. Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration has received roughly 896,000 reports of attempted phone scam calls since October 2013. The office is aware of more than 5,000 victims who have collectively paid more than \$26.5 million as a result of the scam.

When that happened in recent years to a Cohasset woman, who ended up wiring \$8,000 after she was given the pay-or-be-arrested ultimatum, she told police the caller ID even said "IRS."

In another common scam, identity thieves use stolen Social Security numbers to file tax returns under the victim's name. Their goal is to collect a fraudulent tax refund before the victim even files.

In 2013, the IRS paid out \$5.8 billion in fraudulent refunds, according to the U.S. Government Accountability Office. You can be a victim of this if the scammer has your name, birthday and Social Security number — how often have you given away that information?

But rest assured, the IRS is growing wise to these scams.

In 81 percent of such tax refund cases of which the IRS is aware, the government prevented scams or recovered the fraudulent refunds, according to the Government Accountability Office. The total of prevented and recovered fraudulent refunds was more than \$24 billion in 2013.

In an effort to prevent scams, the IRS releases an annual list to make the public more aware of the common ones. Other than the phone call scam and identity theft issue, here are some others to know and tips to have a safer tax season:

**Phishing:** Fake emails or websites can trick you into providing personal information, but the IRS will never send taxpayers an email about a bill or refund out of the blue. Don't even click on one.

**Return Preparer Fraud:**

While many tax professionals are honest, you should vet them. Legitimate tax professionals are a vital part of the U.S. tax system.

**Inflated Refund Claims:** If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Be aware of anyone who asks you to sign a blank return, promising a big refund before looking at their records, or charging fees based on a percentage of the refund.

**Fake Charities:** Be on guard against groups masquerading as charitable organizations to attract donations and of those with names similar to familiar or nationally known organizations. IRS.gov has the tools taxpayers need to check out the status of charitable organizations.

**Falsifying Income to Claim Credits:** Don't invent income to erroneously qualify for tax credits, such as the Earned Income Tax Credit. Scam artists sometimes talk taxpayers into doing this.

Overall, it's important to take a breath and use common sense. And if you ever receive a request for payment from the IRS or feel you're a target, seek help before taking action.

It's worth taking the time to find out. You deserve the refund, not a headache or heartbreak this tax season.



## COMMENTARY

## Bring back Budget Planning Committee

By Katie Dugan, Sam Wakeman and Jack Keniley

The recent discussion about Cohasset's financial realities in the Mariner has raised an important question about how we balance both long-term and present day investments.

In our opinion, the disbanding of the Budget Planning Committee in 2014 has stalled our town's ability to have a productive and open dialogue on the fiscal priorities of the community. The process for constructing the yearly budget for the town of Cohasset is a nine-month exercise that engages most of the town staff and the volunteer committee members in a rather complex, highly regulated exercise that reviews the available revenues against the potential expenditures necessary to run the town.

The work on the new budget starts in September and ends at the annual town meeting in early May of the next year. The town manager, Chris Senior, is responsible for the construction and presentation of the operating budget and five-year fiscal forecast to the selectmen for their input and approval prior to presenting the annual budget to the citizens for a vote at annual town meeting.

Most of the work of the budget planning process is the collection and coordination of the budget requests

across all of the town departments including the schools. The process for how the town and the schools coordinate and negotiate the budgets into an overall budget for the town is important. Every one of the 350 towns in the state are subject to the same rules and regulations and every town has a different way of managing the process. Some do it well, others not so well.

Cohasset has, in the past, had a mixed record in successfully managing the process and the politics of putting together a budget and fiscal forecast for the town. After some significant financial missteps, Sam Wakeman, who was at the time chairman of the Advisory Committee, asked the board of selectmen to create a Budget Planning Committee to help all of the financial stakeholders in the town come together to discuss and plan for the budgeting of the limited resources early in the budget cycle.

The board approved the establishment of the Budget Planning Committee with two members each from the board of selectmen, the School Committee, the Advisory Committee, and the Capital Budget Committee. The town manager, the superintendent of schools, town finance director and the school's business manager were non-voting advisers to the group. The committee members were responsible for electing a

chairman at the beginning of each budget cycle with the idea that the chairmanship would rotate among the voting members.

The Budget Planning Committee's charter was to provide a forum where the financial needs of all parties could be discussed and negotiated. The analysis included a comprehensive five-year forecast of the town's financial statements and a projection of the available funds available to cover anticipated increases in town expenditures. The introduction of the five-year financial forecast was an important step forward in the management of the town's finances.

Until the creation of the Budget Planning Committee, the town had never produced a formal five-year forecast and circulated the results among the people responsible for making financial decisions for the town.

Historically, the town has had approximately \$400,000 to \$700,000 in new revenue that can be used to cover anticipated increases in expenses. The Budget Planning Committee's work was to figure out how to allocate the new revenues between the schools and the town's budget needs. Once the split was negotiated the schools and the town would begin work on setting their individual budgets.

The purpose of the Budget Planning Committee was not to construct

individual budgets only to set the overall budget number. The members of the group agreed that the new revenues (as defined) should be split with 61 percent going to the schools and 39 percent to the town's general fund. This split was consistent with past experience.

The creation of the Budget Planning Committee led to other positive benefits and improved town governance. The committee members developed greater insights into the needs of the schools and the town. The "us vs. them" nature of the relationships that had characterized previous budget cycles lessened significantly and paved the way for a significantly more cooperative and professional relationship among all of the members.

Since the Budget Planning Committee was disbanded in 2014, the process for setting budget targets and hammering out the critical priorities of town departments has become more unstructured. Without a mechanism to bring key stakeholders together to openly discuss budget and long-term fiscal priorities, we are missing a critical step in our budget process. As a small town with limited financial resources, we need to work together to set the priorities to move this community forward. Simply stated, it is time to bring back the Budget Planning Committee.

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## PANTRY CORNER

## Food drives are coming right up

Welcome to another edition of the Pantry Corner. This week we would like to let everybody know about some upcoming food drives.

■ The first food drive is being done by Boy Scout Troop 28. They are conducting a Perishable/Produce food drive on Sunday, March 13th at Stop & Shop from 12:30 to 3 p.m. Fresh produce is very hard to come by during winter and early spring so any donations will be greatly appreciated.

■ The second is being held by Dr. Lisa Lewis at

Cohasset Family Chiropractic. This drive will be done between March 15th and March 31st. She will have a collection box at her office at 814 Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

Items that we need: Coffee, tea, soups & chowders, tuna, spaghetti sauce, corned beef hash, beef stew, canned fruit, juice, cereal, and gift cards to local grocery stores.

The Food Pantry is open for donations every Tuesday morning between 8 and 8:30 a.m. If this does not fit into your schedule there

is a donation box at St. Anthony's Parish Center in the foyer, and one at Stop n' Shop. Please be sure not to put any perishables in the donation boxes.

We are also happy to arrange a meeting time with anyone who contacts us at the food pantry.

Did you know: Across the Feeding America network of over 63,000 agencies, 66 percent of pantries, 41 percent of kitchen programs, and 11 percent of shelter programs have no paid staff, relying entirely on volunteers (according to

dosomething.org).

"I am a big believer that eventually everything comes back to you. You get back what you give out." — Nancy Reagan

Read more at:

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(Compiled by Andrew McSheffrey)

## LETTER

### Put teachers contract in warrant

I have read the comments by Andrew Quigley and Steve Gaumer regarding the negotiated Teachers

Contract.

The board of selectmen must give all the facts including financial, language changes and any other pertinent information to the public. The board should place the

contract in the Town Meeting Warrant to provide the information to the electorate well before the actual meeting.

At Town Meeting, voters will then discuss and decide whether

we wish to support the contract at an Override Referendum.

I agree with Andrew Quigley that "it is democracy at its purest."

Martha Gjesteb, Old Pasture Road



## VIEW FROM THE FRONT PORCH

# Primarily, some overriding thoughts

In 1994, I sat in my living room watching then President Bill Clinton conduct a town hall style meeting with a younger audience on MTV. A young lady with an apparent total disregard for the Office of the President stood up and asked the President of the United States if he wore boxers or briefs. While I was dumbfounded by her crassness, I was more stunned when President Clinton actually answered the question.

Clinton's misguided attempt to be 'cool' was one of the least Presidential moments in modern Presidential history, but last week the circus called 'the Republican primary' topped it. Donald Trump and Marco Rubio's exchange regarding the candidates' "manhood" was a classless, sophomoric disgrace and showed a complete disregard for both the Office of the President and the American people.

Presidents have and will continue to make decisions that rile the opposition, it goes with the job. However, there's no excuse for piggish immature behavior. We wouldn't tolerate this from our children and we deserve better from those seeking the highest office in the land.

While I try to digest the quagmire the primary season has evolved into, allow me to shift gears and share some other thoughts

■ Congratulations to Taffy Nothnagle, the 2016 Cohasset Citizen of the Year. I literally got chills when I read this quote by Margot Cheel, "Her selfless involvement in so many activities in Cohasset has had a wide-ranging effect and touched many lives old and young — from scouts to Special Olympics to Cohasset Housing Authority to church outreach to name just a few. Cohasset is very lucky to have her!"

■ Generous, kind-hearted, smart and civic minded; I wish this described a few of the Presidential candidates.

■ I am hearing that the 'Master Plan' session last Saturday was a big success. Kudos to all who helped make the event thoughtful, creative and engaging.

■ The Front Porch Committee reported back positively about the large number of submittals concerned about the need for sidewalks, a new fire station, affordable housing and our schools.

■ It'll be interesting to watch the 'Master Plan' develop and unfold in the upcoming months and years. Here's hoping for continued input from all.

■ As Cohasset grows and looks to address key needs, there's something important to keep in mind. If we are going to



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explore a possible override measure to fund expenditures, it must be done in a manner that doesn't crush those who can't afford it.

■ For example, I know an 80+ year old gentleman who has lived in Cohasset his whole life and still works 15-20 hours a week because his retirement benefits don't fully cover his living expenses. How is it remotely fair to consider increasing his tax rate because those of us with kids want to see improvements in the schools?

■ It's crucial that the citizens of our cozy little hamlet-by-the-sea find ways to ensure diversity, and not force out those who helped build and shape our community.

■ Speaking of moving forward, I hear that there will be at least three qualified candidates in the upcoming Selectman's race including Board Chairman Steve Gaumer who I think has done a very good job in helping bring stability to the Board.

■ Jack Keniley is another candidate for Selectman and I was extremely impressed with the sincerity of his efforts to support the appointment of our Police Chief.

■ I'm unable to offer words regarding the third candidate, as there's yet to be a formal announcement.

■ The Front Porch hopes that this is a race of ideas not temperament. There's a lot of key issues facing the town and it's important to know where the candidates stand and if they can work with others.

■ Best of luck to Anthony Ambrose and his new endeavor at the ever-changing restaurant that was once KoKo Island on Rt. 3A. Still hoping for the rebirth of Bergsons.

■ By the way, I know of no one who has never ever not gone to a restaurant in a neighboring town due to a few percent meals tax. I think I need to take Kevin McCarthy out for lunch to discuss.

■ I truly enjoyed co-writing a piece with the Political Perch columnist a few weeks back, it was great fun.

■ Saint Patrick's Day is coming up. If you want to hear an amazing Irish rendition of a classic rock song, go to Youtube and look up 'Behind Blue Eyes, The Chieftains'. Recorded with Roger Daltrey in Belfast Northern Ireland in 1991, it's incredible.

■ Sorry that the South Boston Irish Breakfast

has faded so much, it used to be such great entertainment.

■ Easter's at the end of the month and there are still some homes with their dead brown wreaths hanging up. Perhaps they're hoping in the spirit of Easter their wreaths will be resurrected.

■ Someone in town shared the following story with me after the article about 'Brown Wreath Season'. About 20 years ago, they had a visitor from Italy stay with them a few months after Christmas. After driving through the town, the visitor complimented them on the beauty of the town but also offered his condolences because of all the funeral wreaths hanging on the doors. Yup, can't make this stuff up.

■ So far, the early lineup of acts for the Music Circus looks promising. I'll say it again; make it a point to go to a few shows. The Music Circus is a gem and in the hyper competitive world of concert venues, we want to ensure Cohasset never loses this wonderful gift.

■ Speaking of sounds of summer, opening day is a few weeks away. Ah, the sound of the ball hitting the mitt, the crack of a wooden bat and the chatter around the ball field. There is no sport that comes close to splendor of baseball.

■ Each year I root hard for one of the younger players to make a real impact on the Sox. This year I'm throwing my support behind Travis Shaw. As a much needed public service to you all, the Front Porch will be providing sporadic updates on Travis Shaw throughout the baseball season.

■ Hard to believe that next month will be the three year anniversary of the Marathon attacks. In some ways it seems like ten years ago and in others it seems like yesterday.

■ Four radio stations I have been listening to quite a bit lately; WUMB 91.9, WERS 88.9, WGBH 89.7 & WATD 95.9. College radio, college radio, public radio and local radio. They all have cool and unique programming, check them out.

■ Finally, in 1962 an unknown record producer took a chance when all others passed. This week Sir George Martin, "the fifth Beatle" and a man whose work still inspires millions to dance and sing passed away at the age of 90.

As always, thanks for reading. And in the end, the love you take is equal to the love you make.

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## LIFE AT CHS



**MR. SKIPPER CONTESTANTS:** From left, back row: Max Fitzgerald, Jack Donohue, Evan Canney, Jake Bennett, Derek Bennett, Liam Lynch, and Max Whetstone. Front row, from left: Lucas Slater, Jack Cunningham, Dan Toomey, Adam Game, and Ben Moy. Mark your calendars for the Mr. Skipper contest at 7 p.m., Friday, March 18, in the Cohasset High School auditorium. Tickets are \$10 at the door. COURTESY PHOTO

## Mr. Skipper postponed a week

The past week at CHS has been an interesting one indeed. With the sunshine rolling in (though the warm weather seems a little reluctant to appear) students are increasingly anxious for the end of the school year, a sentiment only emphasized when our progress reports came out for the middle of term three. Seniors are especially feeling like the end is near with a new onslaught of "Proposals" circulating the school and more college acceptance letters being pasted up in the guidance hallway.

One event everyone looks forward to all year round is the Mr. Skipper pageant. This competition is a very versatile medium of hilarity and ridiculousness that everyone wants to enjoy -- to accommodate this, the pageant has been postponed one week. Why, you may ask? Well you've got no one to blame but our Varsity boys' basketball team whose 76-60 victory in Tuesday's tournament game against number one seed school Saint John Paul gave them a spot in tonight's game at Curry College. Good luck, Skippers!

In lieu of this movement of the pageant, the Spinnaker staff has modified its targeted release date for a "Spin-sheet" -- a miniature version of the newspaper -- in favor of a full-length Spinnaker



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released next week. Not everything having to do with the pageant was postponed, however; the Mr. Skipper 12-month calendar was still up for sale, featuring our twelve contestants is various poses and costume for each month in the year. What other high school memento would anyone need?

This week also saw some more athletic excellence; the annual dodgeball tournament took place. This student-council organized event featured twelve coed teams, the games taking place afterschool on Wednesday and during Thursday's utility period. The winning team received a Chipotle gift-card, their victory displayed in the bracket in the senior café.

Recycled pARTs, the trash-to-treasure extravaganza held annually by our beloved arts department was a success! There were many cardboard houses and collage paintings -- even a graduation gown made out of a senior student's old math tests! The night was accompanied by the jazz band, giving some mood music to the night.

On Tuesday, some upperclassmen got a

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blast from the past at the eighth-grade scheduling orientation meeting in the library. Each department picked a few students to help answer questions about their section, helping the soon-to-be high-schoolers pick what course schedule seems right for them and at what level of rigor they'd be able to handle.

Though we didn't get to have all the planned events we were expecting this week, the students of CHS are still looking forward to the Mr. Skipper pageant. To all the contestants; you get a whole extra week to practice--your performances better be flawless.

*—Becca Fredey is a senior at CHS and weekly columnist for the Mariner. She's on the Spinnaker staff and the lack of certainty about publishing dates is stressing her out hardcore.*

## LIBRARY CORNER

## Artist reception for Heather Collins

*Paul Pratt Memorial Library, 35 Ripley Road, Cohasset. Call 781-383-1348 for more information or visit [cohassetlibrary.org](http://cohassetlibrary.org).*

**Art Reception:** The South Shore Art Center presents an exhibit of new pastel paintings of Southwest, Maine, Italy and South Shore by local artist Heather Collins from March 1 through April 30. There will be a display of approximately 30 recent pastel paintings. The artist reception will take place at the Library from 2 to 5 p.m. March 20. Ranging in subject from Georgia O'Keefe's ranch in Abiquiu, New Mexico, to coastal Maine to Lake Como to scenes of the South Shore, Collins' show, "Sightlines" offers images of very different places that have captured her imagination.

**Library Book Group:** Join attendees for coffee and discussion of Celeste Ng's book "Everything I Never Told You" at 10 a.m. March 30. All are welcome. **Library on the go:** Download e-books

with Overdrive, stream movies from Hoopla, learn a foreign language using Pronunciator, read e-magazines from Zinio, and learn a new skill using Lynda.com all on a mobile device. It's free. A library card is needed. Learn more by stopping by the reference desk.

**New Museum Passes:** Cohasset library cardholders now have access to two new passes. Explore the many properties at the Mass Audubon Wildlife Sanctuaries, Nature Centers, and Museums or gather the gang and have fun at The Hall at Patriot Place. The Community Garden Club of Cohasset has generously donated the pass to the Audubon Sanctuaries. The Friends of the Library is sponsoring the pass to The Hall at Patriot Place. Details of both passes are on our website. Reservations may be made online or by calling the circulation desk.

**Movies, Music, and more:** Download up to 20 titles of movies, e-books, music, and comics every month from Hoopla, free with

a Cohasset library card. Music from the play "Hamilton," the movie "Star Wars: The Force Awakens," David Bowie, Glenn Frey and so much more streams to a computer or mobile device. Explore Hoopla's site at [hooplalibrary.com](http://hooplalibrary.com) or by borrowing an ebook from Overdrive. Call the reference librarian for help accessing these services.

**Online Tools:** Discover what the Cohasset library card can do by visiting the website [cohassetlibrary.org](http://cohassetlibrary.org). Learn a new language with Pronunciator, brush up on skills needed in that new job with Lynda.com, or snuggle down with a good book on a rainy or cold day by borrowing an ebook from Overdrive. Call the reference librarian for help accessing these services.

**Homebound Delivery Service:** The library is on the road every Tuesday afternoon delivering materials to Cohasset residents of all ages. Call the library at 781-383-1348, and ask for Kristin or Gayle, or send an email to [library@cohassetlibrary.org](mailto:library@cohassetlibrary.org) to get started.

## LIBRARY KIDS

## Drop In Crafts on Thursday mornings

*Paul Pratt Memorial Library, 35 Ripley Road. Call 781-383-1348 for more information or visit our website at: [cohassetlibrary.org](http://cohassetlibrary.org).*

## Programs

**Drop In Crafts:** Between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Thursdays

**Mamasteph:** 10:30 a.m. Mondays, March 14, 21 and 28

**Lego Club:** 4-5 p.m. Mondays, March 14 and 28

**Partner Reading with Sophie the therapy dog:** 4-5 p.m. March 15

**Storytime with Mrs. Moody:** 10:30 a.m. March 15, 29

**Puppet Story Time with Leigh and Friends:** 10:30 a.m. March 22

## Special Events

**Barn Babies: A live animal show:** 1, 1:30, 2, 2:30 p.m. March 19. Baby animals will be available for visitors to snuggle, cuddle, and learn

about. Register online at [cohassetlibrary.org](http://cohassetlibrary.org). Space is limited. For more information about the Barn Babies go to [barnbabies.com](http://barnbabies.com).

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten:** Accept the challenge. Registration forms and reading logs available in the Children's Room. For more information: [1000books-beforekindergarten.org](http://1000books-beforekindergarten.org)



## TOWN CLERK

## Register to vote in senate primary

The Cohasset town clerk's office, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset, will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. March 23 for voter registration.

Residents who wish to vote in the April 12 special state primary must be registered to vote or change party affiliation by that date. Only those not registered to vote in Cohasset or

those who have moved from one address in Cohasset to another or wish to change their party enrollment will need to register.

Voters enrolled as "unenrolled" will remain so after choosing a ballot at the polls. For questions, call the town clerk's office at 781-383-4100, ext. 106.

## FINANCES

## Town gets AAA bond rating

By Amanda C. Thompson  
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Town Manager Chris Senior announced on Tuesday, March 8th, that the Town had achieved the Holy Grail of bond ratings by earning a AAA score.

Selectmen and those gathered from the public applauded as the board noted that the Town had never before had a AAA rating. In fact, for some time, Cohasset didn't look like the sort of place that could ever achieve this status, the highest rating offered by Standard and Poor's Financial Services.

"I was sitting in these seats in 2011 and never believed this would happen," said Selectwoman Diane Kennedy.

The board tipped its collective hat to the financial team, comprising Treasurer Paula Linhares and Finance Director Mary Gallagher.

Senior and the finance team reminded the gathering that, while celebration is certainly warranted, the Town doesn't just get to keep this rating like a shiny trophy to display. It was hard work to earn it, and it will be hard work to keep it

**The board noted that the gold-star rating gives more value to the Town's existing bonds, not just future ones.**

up.

Senior was confident they could do it. "We have a strong management team," he said. "The Town has a strong economy and we've seen strong trend lines for the last several years."

The board noted that the gold-star rating gives more value to the Town's existing bonds, not just future ones. Existing bonds become more expensive for someone else to buy, and also more desirable.

"We're up four grades," said Chairman Steve Gaumer. "That's almost unheard of in a five-year period. Everybody in this room should be patting themselves on the back."

Jokingly, Gaumer added, "We are actually more viable than the U.S. government, and they can print their own money - we can't!"

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## ASSESSORS

## Real Estate Tax Exemptions

Cohasset Board of Assessors Office is accepting applications for fiscal 2016 real estate tax exemptions. The qualification date is July 1, 2015, for all statutory exemptions. The deadline for filing is March 31, 2016. If you have filed for exemption since July 2015, it is not necessary to file again. The following exemptions are available:

**Persons Over 70 Years of Age:** \$2,000.00 off. Clause 41C - if annual income is less than \$20,000 (single person) or \$30,000 (married couple), and the value

of your assets, excluding your home, is less than \$40,000 (single person) or \$55,000 (married couple) and must own and occupy for previous 10 years.

**Surviving Spouse:** No age requirement. \$350 off. Clause 17D - also minors of deceased parents and persons older 70 years of age. There is no limit on income, but the value of your assets, excluding your home, must not exceed \$40,000 and must own and occupy for previous five years.

**Disabled Veteran:** \$800 off. Clause 22 - At

least 10 percent disabled as determined by the Veterans Administration. Purple Heart Award recipients qualify, as well as Congressional Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, Air Force Cross, Navy Cross. Other exemptions are available for more seriously disabled veterans and paraplegic veterans. Veteran must have been a Massachusetts resident six months prior to enlisting or live in Massachusetts for five consecutive years.

**Blind Person:** \$875 off. Clause 37 - Must be registered with Massachusetts

Commission for the Blind. **Tax Deferral:** All or part of the tax. Clause 41A - Applicant must be 65 years of age as of July 1, 2015, with income less than \$51,000 and must have resided in Massachusetts for the preceding 10 years. All or part of the tax may be deferred. (Effective 2007 the interest rate has been reduced to 4 percent.)

Exemption forms are available at the Assessors' Office in the Town Hall, Floor 2B. For more information, call the Assessors' Office at 781-383-4114, ext. 124.

## CHURCH

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right up to the end. A small core group kept the doors open, the music playing, and the coffee brewing on Sunday mornings. They met for prayer and study at the pastor's home in Scituate.

Long after it stopped hosting the Christmas fair that once brought hundreds through the door each December, long after it lost its appetite for serving community suppers, long after people on the street stopped saying, "oh, yes - Beechwood Congregational" and started saying, "they're still open?" - the church persisted.

In November 2014, Beechwood partnered with local Peace Corps member Torey Hart to host a meal-packaging event. Together, they provided 16,000 meals for Liberian families struggling through the Ebola outbreak.

Beechwood's monthly youth-oriented Ground Level coffeehouse drew teens and twenty-somethings from across the South Shore through May 2015. The coffeehouse continues to grow and serve the community from its new venue, Sanctuary, a church in nearby Marshfield.

In addition to this and other charitable efforts, the church also offered a small scholarship each year to a young person who chose to pursue a Christian higher education.

"We stepped out and did a

lot with the youth, we remodeled, we hired a new pastor," said Ed Hettstrom, who attended Beechwood with his wife, Karen, for 40 years. "We had a lot of good pieces in place and it just didn't work."

On a recent Sunday, McDonald reassured the remainder of his flock: "None of that was wasted."

For him, and for the people of the church, this isn't a story about failure. Because declining membership, programs that couldn't get the support they needed, and budgets worked out in red ink are just the business side of things, and for the faithful, that's only the earthly side of the story.

"We touched the lives of many people," said Karen Hettstrom. "We prayed for many people. And people remember the connectedness they felt here. So now, we pay it forward. Don't let your candle go out. One candle still burning sheds a lot of light."

Her husband agreed. "While it's a grave situation around us, there's a positive energy we can tap into," said Ed.

According to an 1867 historical sketch of Beechwood Church, resident Clarissa Harris first envisioned a church in the neighborhood in 1862. The nearest house of worship was three miles away - a prohibitive distance at that time in history. Harris began to pray and fast for a church to be planted. At the same time, she started setting aside some of her earnings.

Prior to the building's construction, early members of the congregation gathered

**"There wasn't one big nail in the coffin. It was a lot of little nails. You need people, resources, and energy to keep a machine going. Everybody recognized that it was time."**

Pastor Stephen McDonald

in a function hall under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Cyrus Stone, but the Hall did not wish for this to be a permanent arrangement.

Harris saved up for five years. Though others told her the time was not ripe for planting a house of worship in the area, she insisted that her savings (\$32.42, all in change) be used to establish a meetinghouse. Rev. Stone began to look for other sources of funding.

The classic white-steepled church was built in October of 1866, and hundreds gathered for the dedication of the cornerstone. Rev. James H. Means of Dorchester gave the sermon that day.

The bells rang out for the first time on January 15, 1867, and the pews (purchased secondhand from a Bridge-water church with funds appropriated by the Ladies Sewing Circle) were insufficient to hold the crowd that responded.

The church served as a centerpiece to the neighborhood for many years. Farmland gave way to a commercial district gave way to family housing and neighborhoods, and still the church stood tall, serving the community any way it could.

Today, the church still has some good left to do, even

with the doors scheduled to close after its Easter Sunday service (March 27th). Financially, whatever funds are left will go toward local ministries, including a prison ministry operated by former pastor Rich Chamberlain of Hingham.

The fate of the building has yet to be decided. It might have to be sold. Or, it might stick around for a while yet - perhaps this house of worship will one day become home to a new faith family.

Meanwhile, the church family that has been using it won't break apart. Those who remain - by now, only a handful of members - will continue to meet for Bible studies as they search for a new spiritual community to call "home."

As for Stephen and Amanda McDonald, their plans are still up in the air, but they know one thing for sure. "We love the area and want to stay here," said the pastor. "We're grateful that God has brought us here, and we're confident He will work out the timing with whatever's next."

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## Beacon Hill Roll Call

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Y = Yes; N = No, NV = No Vote (President rarely votes) \* Not every item is voted on by both House and Senate

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**THE HOUSE AND SENATE.** Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senators' votes on roll calls from the week of February 29-March 4.

**CHANGE LANGUAGE (S 2140)**

Senate 36-0, approved and sent to the House a bill changing language in state laws including replacing "mentally retarded" with "individuals with a developmental disability" and "handicapped" with "disability."

Supporters said it is time to remove these outdated phrases from state law. They argued the words stigmatize people and said these changes would have a positive impact on countless people's lives.

("Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

**HIRING PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY (S 2142)**

Senate 36-0, approved and sent to the House a bill requiring the state's Supplier Diversity Office to develop standards to identify and recruit qualified applicants with disabilities. The proposal also requires all state employees involved in hiring decisions to be trained and educated about the details of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Supporters said the unemployment rate for disabled persons is 80 percent. They noted the state should add disabled persons to its current laws that help veterans and minority and women-owned businesses.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

**MAKE BUILDINGS MORE ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (S 1923)**

Senate 36-0, approved and sent to the House a proposal that makes several updates to the state's Architectural Access Board's responsibilities. The board makes rules and regulations designed to make public buildings accessible for safe use by persons with disabilities. The bill expands the board's authority to include regulation of spaces around public buildings including parking lots, passageways and sidewalks.

Supporters said the bill would ensure the state meets all the requirements of the Americans with Disability Act and makes public buildings and surrounding areas safer and more accessible to persons with disabilities.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

**HEALTH DISPARITIES (H 3969)**

Senate 36-0, approved a bill creating a state Office of Health Equity to coordinate an effort to reduce and eliminate disparities in access to quality health care based on race, ethnicity, gender and disability status. The office would set goals for the reduction of disparities and prepare an annual plan to accomplish its goals.

Supporters said minorities still have disproportionately higher rates of chronic disease and mortality than other persons and the bill would help save and improve lives. They noted twice as many minorities die from prostate cancer than the statewide average; black adults have the highest death rates of stroke or cardiovascular disease; and black and Hispanic babies have higher infant mortality rates.

The House has approved a different version of the bill and the Senate version now goes to the House for consideration.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

**ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL**

**PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR SENIORS (H 4030)** - The House gave initial approval to a bill that would allow cities and towns to exempt up to 50 percent of property taxes for seniors over 65 whose annual property taxes exceed 10 percent of their annual income. The house or condo would have to be owner-occupied and applicants must have lived in the city or town for at least 10 consecutive years.

Supporters said this targeted tax relief would help thousands of senior citizens living on fixed incomes remain in their hometowns. They noted that the bill is a local option one that leaves the decision up to local communities.

**SCOTUS (S 2146)** - Sen. Kenneth Donnelly (D-Arlington) withdrew his resolutions urging members of the U.S. Senate to fulfill their constitutional responsibility by holding a hearing and a vote on President Obama's expected nomination of a Supreme Court justice to replace the late Justice Antonin Scalia. The Republican leadership in the U.S. Senate has vowed not to take up the president's nominee and feels that whoever wins the November 2016 presidential election should nominate the next justice.

Donnelly said that he has decided to take a different approach and send a letter to the U.S. Senate. He told members they are all welcome to sign the letter.

When the resolutions first surfaced two weeks ago, supporters said it is unfair and undemocratic that the court remains short a member until next year. They argued that Obama is still the president and the U.S. Senate should fulfill its responsibility and vote on his nominee.

Supporters of delaying or withdrawing the resolutions said the Massachusetts Senate should focus on working on state issues. They noted there are many important bills being worked on that should take precedence over these toothless resolutions.

**MORE TOBACCO RESTRICTIONS (S 2152)** - The Public Health Committee unveiled a bill imposing additional restrictions on tobacco use. The measure would prohibit sales of e-cigarettes to minors and include e-cigarettes in the state's smoke-free workplace law; increase the age of sale for tobacco products from 18 to 21; prohibit tobacco vending machines; and prohibit sales of tobacco in pharmacies.

**TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION** - The Transportation Committee held a hearing on several bills last week including:

**NO TOLLS ON MASSPIKE (S 1877)** - Eliminates all tolls on the Massachusetts Turnpike.

**MANDATORY EDUCATION FOR USED CAR DEALERS (S 1903)** - Requires used car dealers to complete an eight-hour course of educational training related to the rules, regulations and laws about the used car industry. The course would be taught by an organization certified by the National Independent Automobile Dealers Association. The measure also requires dealers to pass a written test and subsequently attend four hours of continuing educational training every two years.

**YOUNG DRIVERS (H 2935)** - Takes away the driver's license for at least three months of any drivers under the age of 18 who are convicted of possession of alcohol, marijuana or of any other controlled substance. Violators would also be required to attend a substance abuse program for not less than three months and pay a fine of not less than \$1,000.

**EXEMPT SCHOOL BUSES FROM TOLLS (H 3049)** - Exempts all school buses from paying tolls.

**INFORM PARENTS WHEN YOUNG DRIVERS GET A TRAFFIC TICKET (H 2948)** - Requires police officers who issue a traffic ticket to any driver under age 18 to also mail a copy to the driver's parents or guardian.

**HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK'S SESSION?** Beacon Hill Roll Call tracks the length of time that the House and Senate were in session each week. Many legislators say that legislative sessions are only one aspect of the Legislature's job and that a lot of important work is done outside of the House and Senate chambers. They note that their jobs also involve committee work, research, constituent work and other matters that are important to their districts. Critics say that the Legislature does not meet regularly or long enough to debate and vote in public view on the thousands of pieces of legislation that have been filed. They note that the infrequency and brief length of sessions are misguided and lead to irresponsible late night sessions and a mad rush to act on dozens of bills in the days immediately preceding the end of an annual session.

During the week of February 29-March 4, the House met for a total of one hour and 41 minutes and the Senate met for a total of four hours and 11 minutes.



## UPDATE

# Dredging project in deep water

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The Harbor dredging project has dug itself into a hole it can't get out of.

It's not news that the project hit any number of delays over the fall and winter of 2015-2016, from weather complications to insufficient equipment to teams straight-up walking off the work site. It's not news that the project missed its Jan. 31st deadline by a mile, and then some.

More than a month after the final cutoff date for dredging, and with extensions requested and spent, the Harbor channel still is not cleared enough for commercial fishing boats to get safely in and out of the Harbor at both high and low tides.

"The parts that have been dredged have been dredged well," Town Manager Chris Senior reported to selectmen on Tuesday, March 8th.

But there remains what's known as 'the hump' - a.k.a. 'third dolphin' - which is 300 to 500 feet long and 90 feet wide, the width of the channel.

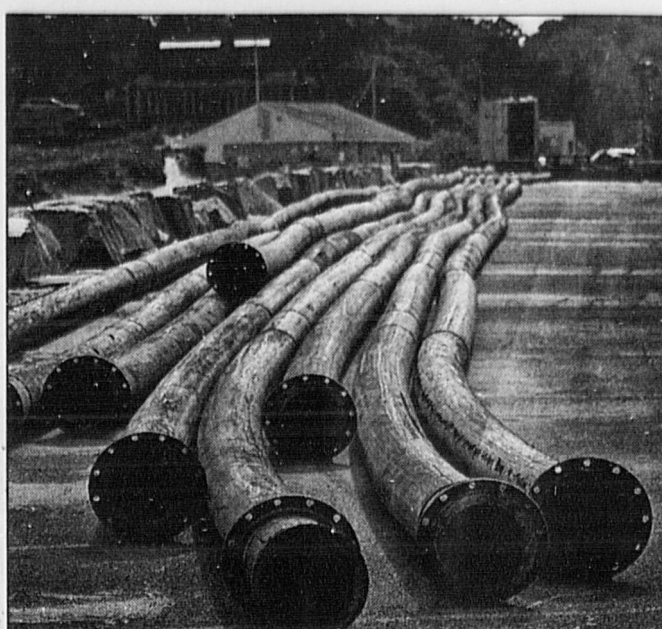
"The Army Corps knows

this project is a complete failure without that being done," said Senior.

The project is, ultimately, an Army Corps project, though it's not entirely fair to point fingers at them alone. The Corps, according to Senior and selectmen, has been cooperative. It seems that the blame is more widespread, landing on several sets of shoulders instead of just one. Issues with contractors and subcontractors have been a significant source of delay on this project.

Senior said that the Army Corps is getting the necessary permits to continue working. In addition to clearing the channel, they will have to remove leftover pipes, which have been abandoned in the Harbor, and repair damages caused by the project, including damage to the boat ramp.

The Army Corps will assume responsibility for all the damages. Senior reported that the Corps is committed to getting the project finished before boating season begins in May. New equipment is on the way, and new permits should be granted soon.



Pipes for the dredging project were lined up in the Sandy Beach parking lot last fall. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO BY GREG DERR

"It can't be May," said Steve Gaumer, chairman of the board of selectmen, aghast. "Some fishermen are headed out now. If lobster boats are sticking in the mud, it endangers the lives of fishermen should there be a storm."

While the sentiment found general agreement around the table, the Town is already doing everything in its power to hurry the

project along, including enlisting the support of US Congressman Stephen Lynch. Like the lobster boats, the Town is at the mercy of a tide it cannot control.

Look for more on this issue in an upcoming edition of the Mariner.

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## UPDATE

# Potential candidates pulling papers

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Nomination papers for elected town positions have been available at the Town Clerk's office since Feb. 8th, but it wasn't until the past week or so that they really started to move.

The School Committee will have two three-year seats available as well as a one-year, unexpired term to fill out. This seat was vacated in July by former Chairman Paul Ognibene and is currently filled by member Barbara Stefan.

Stefan pulled nomination papers this week and will be running for a full three-year term, rather than filling out the rest of the unexpired term.

"I've liked my time with the School Committee," said Stefan. "We have a good group and there's some good work getting done." Stefan believes her experience with college counseling and intimate familiarity with special education programs and challenges will continue to keep the skill set on the committee diverse.

Meanwhile, Amanda Zani has her eye on the unexpired term. A mother of two Osgood students and one-time owner of local business Play Dippity, Zani hears it all, and she hopes to represent the varied voices of other young families trying

to put down roots in town by serving on the School Committee.

Zani has studiously kept up with this year's issues, particularly the issue of kindergarten enrollment, and feels she has developed a broader perspective that encompasses not only how the schools are funded, but also how they must work with the Town to meet everybody's needs.

Current School Committee Chairman Jeanne Astino has also pulled papers to run for reelection.

Erik Potter was appointed to fill out an unexpired term on the Planning Board and has served as an associate member for the past year. Now, he plans to run for election - but he wants to keep the "associate" in front of his title. It's been a learning experience so far, said Potter, and it'll be a while yet before he's learned enough to dive in as a full, voting member.

"You can't go in and take it lightly," said Potter, who handles real estate law out of an office in the village. "There's so much to learn on the Planning Board; we're making significant decisions in town. Will our decisions today create a Cohasset where everybody is living in harmony, and that keeps the feeling of a quaint New England

seaside town? We have to be careful looking at these projects."

Lynn Doxey was asked to run for a seat on the Board of Health by Elizabeth Kirkpatrick, whose term is expiring this year.

"I have a degree in public health, so this is right up my alley and a way I can help improve the community," said Doxey, who ran last year against current Board of Health member Harvey Dickstein. "I'm really interested in getting involved in the community and giving back."

Water Commissioner John Steinmetz was appointed last year to fill an unexpired term and is now running for election.

"I've had a tremendous experience serving as a water commissioner over the last year and very much hope I can continue on for another three years," said Steinmetz. Not only has he enjoyed his service - he feels he's mastered what he refers to as the "balancing act" of moving forward with necessary improvements (like replacing 100-year-old pipes) without incurring too much debt.

Previously, a handful of early-bird candidates pulled nomination papers.

Steve Gaumer, current chairman of the Board of Selectmen, will be running

**Papers will be available from the Town Clerk's office until March 24th.**

for reelection. Jack Keniley, former Capital Budget Committee chairman, and newcomer Heather Hintlian also plan to compete for the two open seats at the selectmen's table.

Clark Brewer, current chairman of the Planning Board, and Susan Sardina, member of the Housing Authority since 2006, will be running for reelection.

Three candidates have pulled papers to serve on the Library Trustees: Roger Lowe, Sarah Pease, and Elaine Breslow. Terms last for three years. There are four seats available.

Papers will be available from the Town Clerk's office until March 24th. Nominees must be registered voters of the town. All papers must be submitted by March 28th. Note that nominees are not running for office until papers are taken out and the board of registrars certifies signatures - and yes, that applies to those running for reelection, as well.

Annual Town Election is scheduled for May 14th.

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**As of Feb. 22nd, the board remained open to helping with projects that would affect the façade of the building that faces into the Cohasset Common Historic District. The board asked the church to furnish a prioritized list of projects, including price tags, which will be reviewed at the upcoming meeting.**

and highlight the historical treasures of the town, as well as increase the town's open space, recreational facilities, affordable housing, and other community enrichment projects.

Cohasset is one of 160 Massachusetts communities that have adopted this program.

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## NEWS

# Town Meeting Warrant under review

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The Board of Selectmen began to review a draft of the Annual Town Meeting warrant at its Tuesday, March 8th meeting. While it's too soon to deliberate on any major items, the board was able to review and recommend three articles that fell under the category of housekeeping.

Article 10 renews revolving funds that already exist. No new revolving funds are being established. This article received unanimous support.

Article 19, "Rescission of unused borrowing authorization," will remove two bond authorizations for the Water Commission, which Town Meeting supported in previous years, but which are no longer needed. This article also received unanimous support.

Article 21 would enable an associate member of the Planning Board, which currently has no voting power except on specific matters, to vote on any matter if full members of the board cannot cast a vote due to absence or conflict of interest.

This is important because a recent motion failed at Planning Board when only three out of five full members were

present to vote. All three would have had to vote affirmatively to achieve a three-fifths majority, and only two did, so the motion failed. If the associate member, who was present at the time, had been allowed to vote, the motion may have passed.

This article received unanimous support from the Board of Selectmen.

In addition to these three approvals, the board discussed an article pertaining to unpaid bills from previous years but did not want to vote without receiving input from the Advisory Board, which would meet the following night.

Town Manager Chris Senior confirmed that the Annual Town Report had been completed (Article 1), but this does not require selectmen input. Senior also confirmed that the budget for fiscal year 2017 had been completed; it will be discussed at an upcoming meeting of the board.

So far, this year's warrant comprises 23 articles, including two citizens' petitions. These numbers are subject to change as the warrant moves toward a final draft in the coming weeks.

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## DON'T MISS THIS

# What to know about Town Hall dropbox

1. The Dropbox provides free 24/7 drop off for Town Hall payments and correspondence as a convenience for residents

2. It does NOT provide proof of delivery, particularly for Assessing applications.

3. If you need to meet a deadline, go to the appropriate department and get a date/time stamp as proof of delivery.

4. On days Town Hall is open, last pickup is 3 p.m., Friday 12 p.m. Items are sorted and delivered to Town Hall departments on the same day.



The dropbox at the edge of the driveway at Town Hall. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO BY MARY FORD

## HOUSING

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needs to be a priority. For now, the Avalon apartment complex carries the town and is the only reason Cohasset even comes close to meeting the state's affordable housing quota.

In Massachusetts, 10 percent of all dwellings in a town must meet affordable standards. For Cohasset, that means about 300 of its 3,000 dwellings.

Outside of the senior housing on Elm Street and the Avalon complex, the most Cohasset has to offer is a couple of "moderate income affordable" apartments downstairs in the historic Pratt Building. Which, incidentally, are also for seniors, though an upcoming article at Town Meeting may look to change this.

All 220 Avalon units are counted toward the quota, even though only 25 percent of them are truly "affordable" at any given time. Once that agreement expires, Cohasset's going to be in trouble, and officials know it. Selectmen and members of the Community Preservation Committee see this as a top-tier issue.

The Community Preservation Committee is looking at a potential land purchase for the purpose of developing affordable housing and will vote on the matter at its meeting on Monday, March 14th.

"Where we see the most need is low-income family housing," said Taffy Nothnagle, chairman of the housing authority, during last fall's

**"Affordable Housing is being discussed as part of the Master Plan, so now's the time; let's start this engine in parallel with those discussions that are happening."**

Selectman Diane Kennedy

discussions. "The young people who are public servants - teachers, police, firemen, veterans - there's just not a lot of housing stock they can get into in this town."

In October, selectmen reviewed half a dozen applications for the Affordable Housing Trust but did not make any decisions or appointments, and the topic has not come up again since.

"We need to get this back on track," said board member Diane Kennedy at the selectmen's March 8th meeting. "Affordable Housing is being discussed as part of the Master Plan, so now's the time; let's start this engine in parallel with those discussions that are happening."

The board agreed that Gaumer would draft a charge for the new steering committee, while Kennedy would continue to meet with Selectman Kevin McCarthy on the affordable housing subcommittee. The topic is slated to resurface within the next two board meetings.

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## CPC

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handicapped-accessible bathrooms and a new and improved kitchen.

While Rec hoped the job could be done by local architect John Tiriyaki, who provided the plans, CPC noted that it would be less expensive to get a pre-fabricated structure that could later be customized. The Rec Commission should have more information about this option at Monday's meeting.

There's only \$20,620 of CPC funds earmarked for recreation and open space purposes, and the shack alone would cost 10 times that, let alone improvements Rec wants to make to the baseball diamond. CPC encouraged Rec to continue seeking funds from other sources. Hopefully, an update on that front will also be forthcoming at Monday's meeting.

Next on the agenda, Rec and the Library Trustees have teamed up with a proposal to revamp the recently-acquired

Recreation Center, which shares an upstairs space and a parking lot with the library.

The applicants say that the large parking lot behind the library is ugly and impractical, while the driveway connecting it to the upper lot poses a safety threat. They hope to relocate the playground closer to the building and have the driveway wrap around the far side. They also envisioned improvements to the basketball court and the parking lot itself.

Some interior work was also proposed, but CPC didn't think it could contribute to interior projects, even if they supported "recreation/open space" objectives. As for the exterior work, it would be substantial and expensive, and no plan yet exists for what work really stands to be completed. CPC may be open to funding a study this fiscal cycle and reconsidering a more detailed proposal next year.

After that, the Historical Society has an as-yet unheard request to change the designation of two

lower-level apartments in the Pratt Building from "Senior Moderate Income Affordable" to simply "Moderate Income Affordable." The apartments were created with Community Preservation Act funding.

Finally, CPC will vote regarding a potential land purchase proposed by the Conservation Trust for the purpose of developing affordable family housing. While affordable housing is a priority for the board, this particular purchase didn't seem to make good financial sense when it was last discussed.

Once CPC has chosen which projects to support, the board will take care of housekeeping matters - payment of an outstanding open space bond and the designation of funds into the three categories supported by the board: historical preservation, open space and recreation, and affordable housing.

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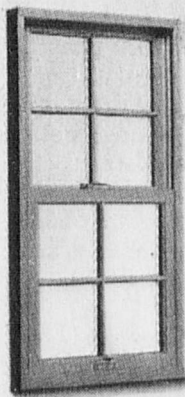
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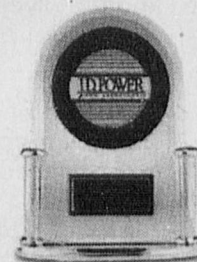
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### YOUTH BASEBALL

#### CYBSA registration

Spring is around the corner, and Cohasset Youth Baseball and Softball Association's online Registration for the 2016 season is now open but there is a \$50 late fee, as regular registration ended March 1. All registration closes March 25.

The registration process is available by visiting [www.CYBSA.net](http://www.CYBSA.net)

If you plan to register a player, please do it soon, as cooperation in registering players in a timely manner is greatly appreciated as it allows the CYBSA to establish rosters and order equipment and uniforms to be ready for Opening Day.

Please direct questions to Jen Miller at [jencoak-leymliller@mac.com](mailto:jencoak-leymliller@mac.com) or 704-609-1267.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

#### Travel Team Championships

Sunday March 13 at Cohasset HS

The Cohasset Basketball Boosters announce that Cohasset will host the final championship games of the Old Colony League for girls travel basketball teams in grades 5-8 this Sunday, March 13, at Cohasset High School.

The schedule for the championship contests is as follows:

Grade 5 - 9 a.m.  
Grade 6 - 10:15  
Grade 7 - 11:30  
Grade 8 - 12:45

After the playoff games, there will be an eighth grade all-star game at 2:00.

Come cheer on our Cohasset girls -- the future stars of Cohasset High -- who will be participating in the playoffs this weekend. A win on Friday and Sunday will bring these girls home for a victory on Sunday!

The full bracket of contests leading up to Sunday is available at: <http://www.oldcolony-basketball.org>

Admission is free to all.

### TENNIS ANYONE

#### Open registration

This summer will mark the 24th season for the South Shore Tennis Association welcoming players from all over the south shore. Adult Tennis Leagues (Doubles & Mixed) run from the week of June 6 through August 20 (12 weeks); Singles Leagues run from May 22 through September 18 (16 weeks). Open registration night will be held on Thursday April 7, 6 - 8 p.m. at the Pembroke Library Conference Room. The Adult mail in registration deadline for singles players is May 2.

For more information, visit the SSTA website at [www.southshoretennis.com](http://www.southshoretennis.com), email at [info@southshoretennis.com](mailto:info@southshoretennis.com), or contact Sharon Reed-Eramian 781-826-2581

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Fantastic season

Girls shine in upset at Nantucket

By William Wassersug  
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There was a time, not too long ago when the Cohasset girls basketball team was the dominant team in Division 4.

Those days may be gone, but the current group of girls had an outstanding season that included a second straight South Shore League title, and the future is quite bright as well.

The girls finished the season with a 13-9 record, including an impressive 41-33 win over Nantucket in the first round of the MIAA Division 4 South Sectional Tournament March 2.

Heading in Cohasset was the No. 12 seed and Nantucket was No. 5 with a 16-4 record.

"We weren't sure the boats were going or not," Cohasset veteran coach John LeVangie said. "We got on the bus, then the boat, which was a rough trip, got on the bus, had 20 minutes to warm up and played. Our



Cohasset senior Emily Rosano drives to the hoop against Holbrook, Feb. 22. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG

girls were already wiped out from the boat ride. The gym was packed with Nantucket fans and their girls were taller than ours. When it was over it was a slice of pizza and back on the boat. I think the ride back was even worse. We had a half-hour practice the next day. The kids were wiped out."

That was a reason LeVangie enjoyed that moment as much as he did.

"We were down 10 in the last quarter and won by

eight," he said. "Our girls found a way to win. It was one of the best wins I've ever had as a coach."

The run ended the next round with a 53-34 loss at Cathedral.

"We didn't shoot well against Cathedral," LeVangie said. "We didn't have a lot left after Nantucket. Cathedral is a good team."

LeVangie said something he's noticed was where the

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### BOYS HOCKEY



Cohasset's Jimmy Farren is blanketed by Hopkinton's Billy Allen Saturday March 5 at Gallo Arena. Cohasset lost the quarterfinal game 4-1. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG

## End of the line

Cohasset season ends in 4-1 quarterfinal loss

By William Wassersug  
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The Cohasset boys hockey team knew it was going to have its hands full in its MIAA Division 3 South Sectional quarterfinal matchup against No. 3 seeded Hopkinton (17-3 regular season), Saturday March 5 at Gallo Arena in Bourne.

As it turned out, the No. 11 seeded Skippers

(13-9-1) had their hands full, just a little too full and were knocked out of the party with a 4-1 loss.

The score was and wasn't indicative of the way the Skippers played.

At times Cohasset looked in control, keeping the puck in its own offensive end for long stretches, but outside of a quick strike by Michael Cohen with 10:40 to play in the first period, the Skippers were unable to finish.

The goal didn't hold up long as Hopkinton's Will

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### BOYS BASKETBALL

## Next stop semifinals

Skippers upset No. 1 seeded St. John Paul II

By Mike Loftus

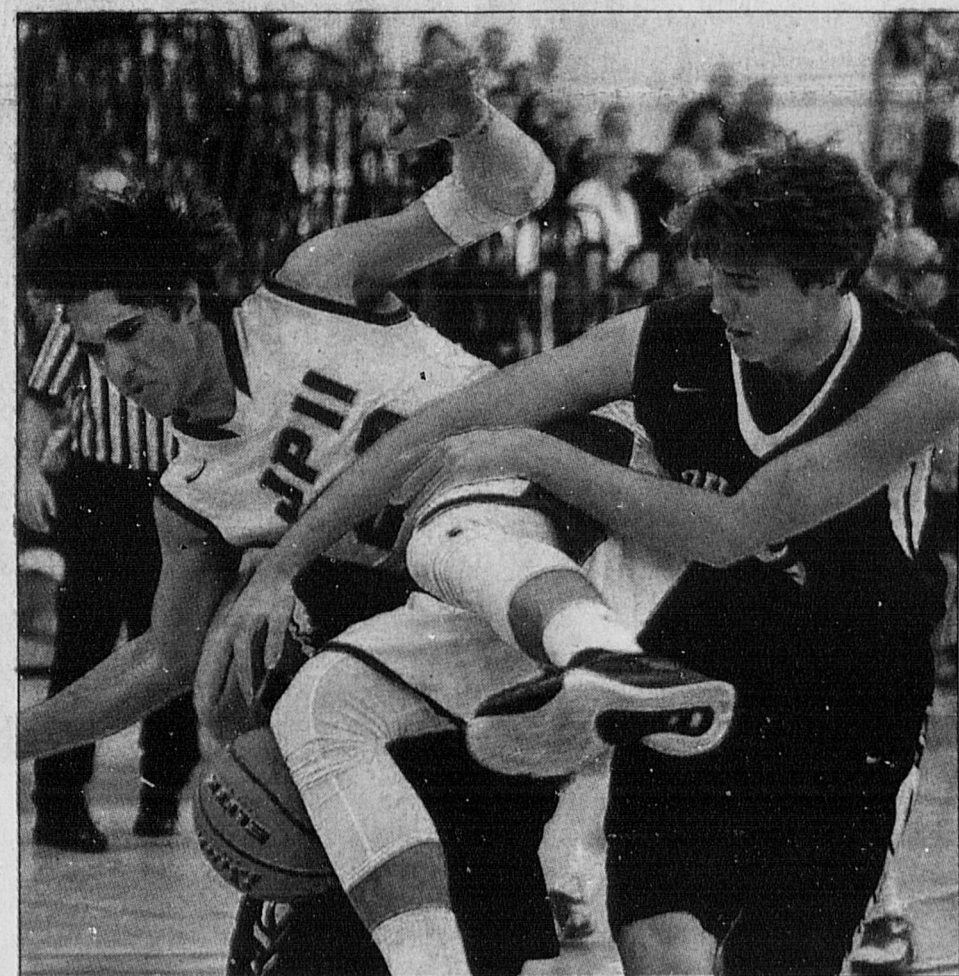
We're reminded again about the potential folly of paying too much attention to seedings.

If Cohasset High's boys basketball team put any stock in where it was seeded in the Division 4 South Sectional tournament, for instance -- well, the Skippers would already have had their season-ending get-together, and moved on to warmer-weather matters.

Instead, they're moving on to Friday's sectional final, after putting another top seed in the ground.

"Everybody that's in the tournament is good," Cohasset coach Bo Ruggiero said Tuesday night after his 13th-seeded Skippers (14-9) ran away from No. 1 Saint John Paul II, 76-60, at Bridge-water-Raynham High. "Whether you're No. 1, 3, 6, 19 -- what difference does it make? We're all good teams."

Cohasset will find out if it's the best in the section Friday night March 11 at 7:30 p.m., when it meets No. 2 Cathedral at Curry College. The Panthers (20-3) have outscored their three sectional opponents by a 260-129 margin, and Ruggiero knows they're "very, very potent" -- but then again, the Lions (19-3) weren't



Cohasset's Chase Bomeisler gets physical with St. John Paul II's Jonathan Warden during the Skippers 76-60 semifinal win March 8. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG

supposed to be pushovers.

And they weren't. Saint John Paul II held a one-point lead at halftime (37-36), and the game was tied 41-41 halfway through the third quarter. The relentless inside pressure of Skippers big men Alex Norton, a 6-foot-2 senior forward, and 6-6 sophomore center Chase Bomeisler, however, sent SJP center Nick Cassata (22 points) to the bench with four fouls, and the

Skippers exploited his absence. Cohasset went on a 12-1 run to end the third quarter, and when Bomeisler fouled out just a minute into the fourth -- after scoring the last four of his 16 points to stretch the lead to 57-42 -- the Skippers coped in a way the Lions hadn't: Norton moved into the middle and scored nine of his team-high 21 points.

Much like it turned up its nose at the sectional

seedings, Cohasset also had to forget about its trademark full-court press after halftime. While it worked well enough to keep the Skippers in the hunt, it left them vulnerable to long-range shots, and the Lions were hitting: Sophomore guard Devan Harrison hit four in the first 16 minutes, including consecutive threes that put Cohasset

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### BOYS BASKETBALL

## Exceeding expectations

Untested team passes all exams on way to finals

By William Wassersug  
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When the basketball season started back in December, if you listened closely to Cohasset boys basketball coach Bo Ruggiero, you knew that his team was going to be a work in progress and at the time, the idea that this group would be playing in the Division 4 South Sectional Final was not the first thing that came to mind.

There were a number of reasons to wonder if this was going to be a transition, bridge or building year, however you might phrase it.

The Skippers didn't have a ton of size or experience or guys who played basketball year-round.

"Guys are older, but I'm not sure if they're a year better," he said in December. "The team we have now is energetic and they're working hard. I haven't lowered my expectations at all, but this is the least experienced team in a while."

"We have guys who have been on the varsity, but haven't played much at the varsity level. Most were practice and JV players as juniors. They'll have to step up and see if they can play at 6:30. It's a different game. There's more speed, skill and higher intensity level."

Well, the inexperienced group has lived up to and possibly exceeded

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## BOYS HOCKEY

# Senior class a group to remember

Skipper coach reflects on senior class

By William Wassersug  
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The season is over for the Cohasset boys hockey team, and many of the players will be moving on to spring sports.

Still, for the seniors, it was the last time together on the ice.

Cohasset coach Phil Mahoney had a few words about his senior class.

**Joe Cavanaro:** Tough and steady defenseman. Greatly improved his game over his

career. A great role model on-and-off the ice."

**Jack Coffman:** A versatile forward who played on both sides and was able to provide depth on every line. A hard working, high character young man who was a pleasure to coach.

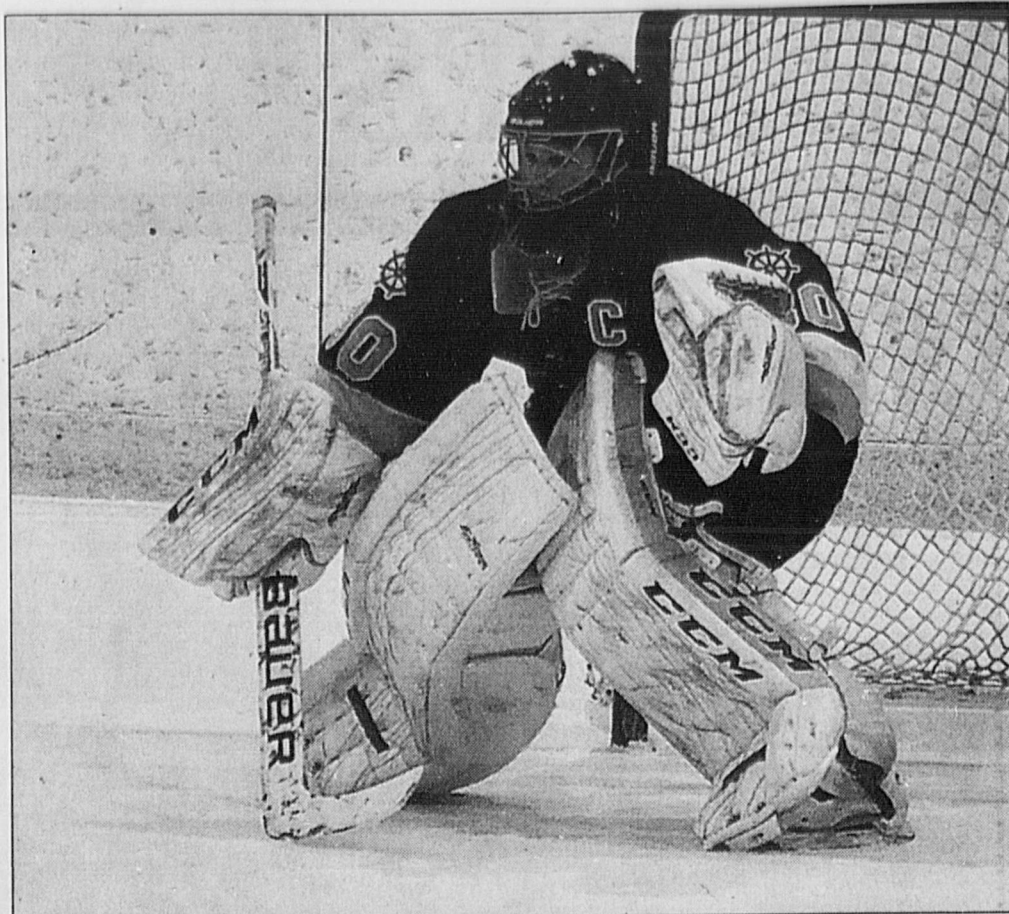
**Jackson Dutton:** The most improved player on the roster. Stepped up to fill a critical position as a Center and did not disappoint with 7 goals and 6 assists for 13 points. His consistency will be missed.

**Matt Legge:** Co-Captain and South Shore League All Star who rebounded from an injury-filled junior year to become our most reliable

defenseman. An extremely strong skater who excelled at both ends of the ice and played major roles on both special teams units.

**Liam McHugh:** Co-Captain and South Shore League All Star who anchored the team's defense for two seasons. Calm and consistent in goal, his departure leaves the program with its biggest hole to fill.

**Kyle O'Brien:** South Shore League All Star and third leading scorer with 6 goals and 11 assists for 17 points. High energy, physical, and the team's top faceoff man. Logged critical minutes and was a mainstay on special teams.



Cohasset senior goalie Liam McHugh will be tough to replace next season. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG

## HOCKEY

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Karpenski got open in front of the net and fired a laser to Cohasset goalie Liam McHugh's right.

From there Hopkinton took over.

Hopkinton started turning the tide with a goal just after killing a Skipper power play for a 2-1 lead.

Hopkinton took the 2-1 lead into the second period and upped the stakes with 10:40 left when Owen Delaney got free on a shorthanded breakaway and connected with a blast again to McHugh's right.

The Skippers never truly recovered and were playing from behind most of the third period with penalties taking a toll down the stretch.

"That's a good team," Cohasset coach Phil Mahoney said. "They come from the Tri-Valley League. The only teams they've lost to are Medway and Medfield which are two good Division 2 teams. Medfield is the No. 1 seed and Medway lost to Scituate who are rated fifth or sixth. They're good. Three lines, six defensemen. They keep coming at you. They move the puck well and they finish. That's

been our bugaboo all year. We haven't been able to finish. We got some real good scoring looks, but didn't finish."

If there was a high point for the Skippers it was McHugh, who played a beauty.

"He's been like that all season," Mahoney said of McHugh's outstanding play. "We've been talking about it for two years how we're going to replace him. It's easy to take a good goaltender for granted at the high school level where inevitable kids are going to mistakes and he's usually there to bail you out. He's just such a strong player." Mahoney said the season as a whole was a good one, and there should be more to come.

"I think we progressed," he said. "The good thing is that the cupboard is not bare. We have a great junior class and some really good kids, eighth graders and ninth graders who are going to help. It's going to hurt to lose some of these seniors, especially our captains Liam (McHugh and Matt (Legge) because of how much they've meant to the program, but we've got some nice kids coming up. Hopefully we're at that position like some of the



Cohasset's Matt Legge brings the puck up against Hopkinton in a quarterfinal game of the Div. 3 South Sectional Tournament Saturday, March 5 at Gallo Arena. Cohasset lost 4-1. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG

other sports in Cohasset like lacrosse or football where you're plugging

kids in and the system is easy enough where you can plug new kids in and

keep going and keep going. That's the goal."

Cohasset advanced to

the quarterfinal by beating No. 6 seeded Nantucket 3-1 in the first round.

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"Most ACA-accredited camps offer some sort of assistance, so it's worth exploring," said Bette Bussell, executive director of ACA, New England. Frequently camps also offer friendly financing options like sibling discounts, payment plans, early bird incentives and tiered pricing. Many

families find that paying for camp over several months makes it affordable. Some camps have payment plans and there are third parties like banks that provide camp loans too. Bussell does caution against waiting too long to do your research and identify your first choice camp. "The sooner families apply to the finalist camps in their search, the better, because there are limited campships and scholarship dollars."

Financial aid options put camp within reach for many families. Campership funding becomes increasingly hard to find as summer draws near.

When doing your research the critical issue is choosing the camp that's the best fit for your child. Go about the search process the same way you find out about and get references for any other important decision. (Visit [www.ACANewEngland.org](http://www.ACANewEngland.org) for advice for campseekers and to

access the ACA's Find-a-Camp online search tool.) Once you've developed your list of potential camps, find out by searching their website or print materials or by asking if they offer financial aid and how to apply. Camp websites are each different; but if you search carefully, you'll find information about navigating the financial aid application process. No two application processes are the same. Often it is possible to download an application or submit one online. Camps themselves continue to be the major source of financial aid.

**Additional Resources** If your search for financial aid to send your child to camp has just begun, here are some additional resources to consider contacting. They might give scholarships themselves or offer advice on where else you can look:

- Check with your own religious community and those that are

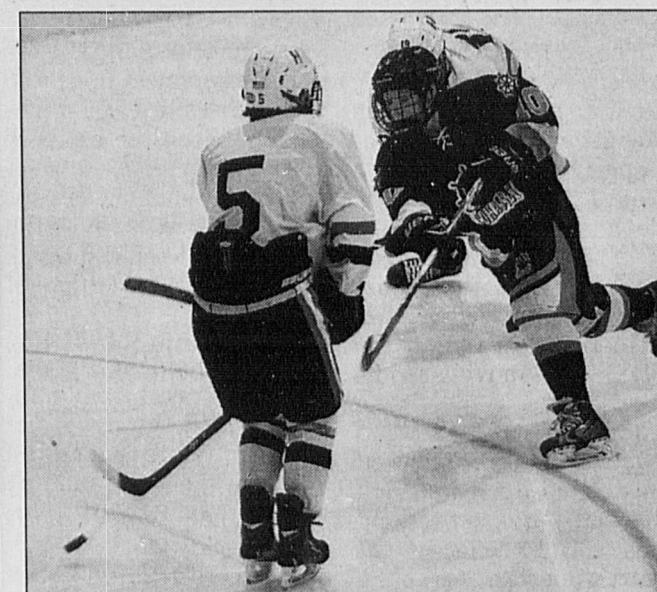
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- Get in touch with social services groups, service clubs, and child-serving nonprofit organizations in your community. Local funding exists.

- Explore local funding streams with your town and school system. Typically these are geographically restricted and reserved for children living in a certain city, town or region.

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All camps operated in Massachusetts must comply with regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and be licensed by the board of health of the city or town in which they are located.



Cohasset's Conor Joslin tries to get the puck past Hopkinton's Everett Rolph during a quarterfinal game at Bourne's Gallo Arena Saturday March 5. Cohasset lost 4-1.

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Skippers were in the brackets the past few seasons.

"We have always beat the Mayflower and Cape Leagues," he said. "The last two years we drew the Catholic Conference and Tri-Valley League early. Those are tough teams."

Tracy Fogarty and Lauren Cuning each scored 9 to lead Cohasset against Nantucket.

LeVangie was more than pleased with his team.

"There was a time that we could just roll the ball out and we could win," LeVangie said. "We joined the pack. This group of girls are great. They always compete and play all out for a full 32 minutes. There was not a single game this year where they didn't compete. Winning the league two years in a row is a good feeling. A lot of it is the girls. They have a tough mentality. They work

hard for 32 minutes."

LeVangie credited his captains Meg Rosano, Emily Rosano and Tracy Fogarty.

"The captains are great," he said. "They lead the way and the other kids picked up on it and followed. They all really improved through the season. There are a lot of kids coming back. If they work at it in the offseason we can be right in the mix again."

Early in the season, it was Meg Rosano and Emily Rosano carrying the team, but as the season went on, the rest of the team started catching up and making big contributions.

"Tracy Fogarty had a great second half of the season," LeVangie said. "Lauren Cuning played very well. Mary Catherine Crumley and Zoe Doherty both improved tremendously from December to where we were Friday. Kate Fitzpatrick came up big in a lot of key games."

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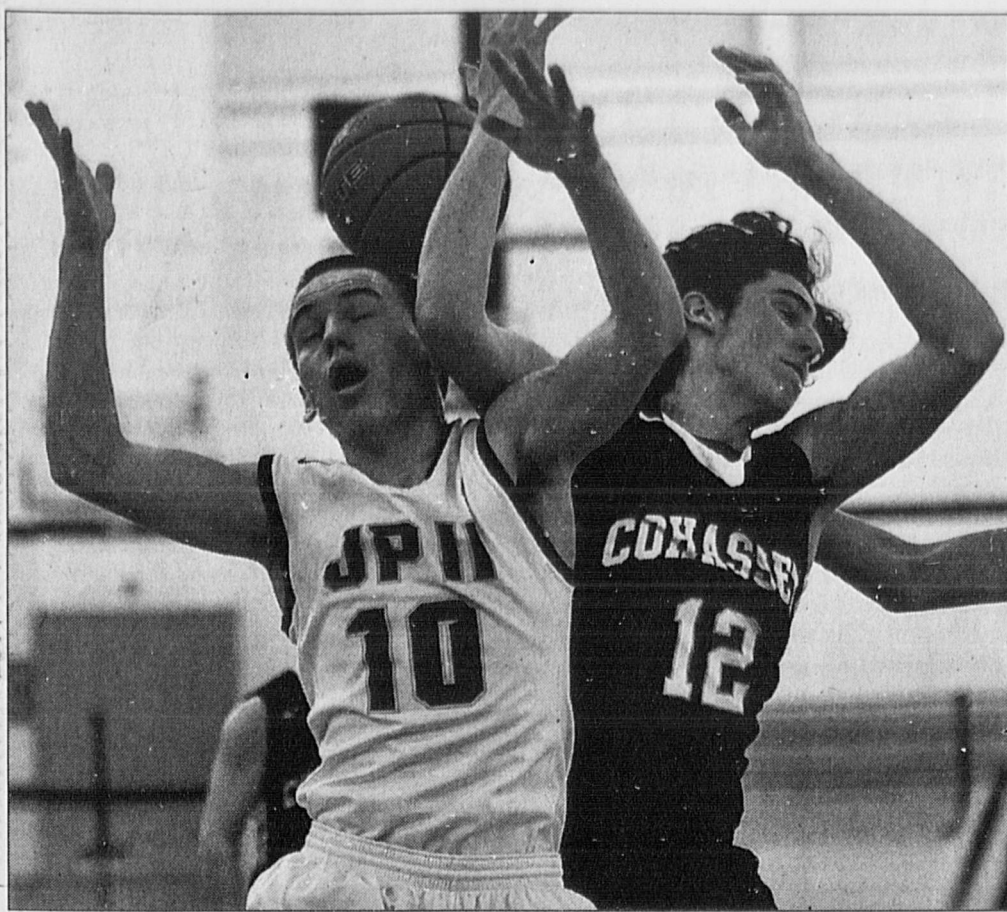
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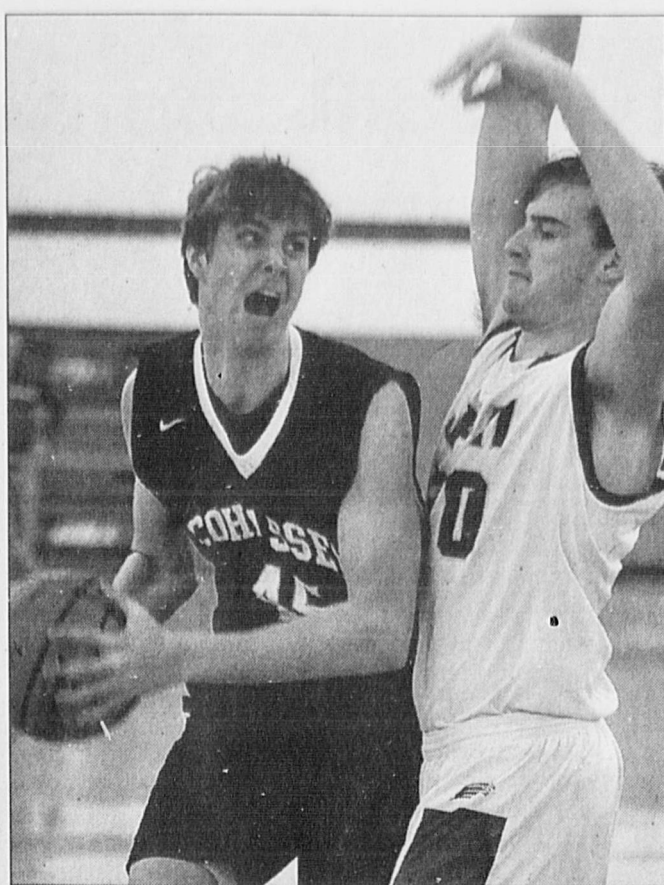
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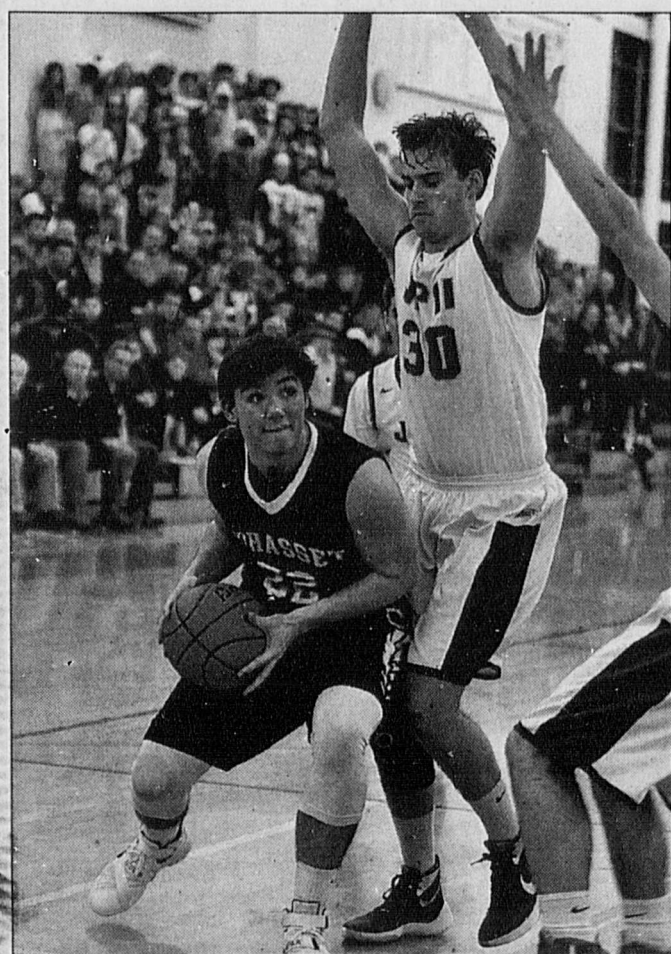


Cohasset's JP Adams and Saint John Paul's Scott Whelan fight for a rebound during the Skippers 76-60 South Sectional semifinal win March 8 at Bridgewater Raynham.

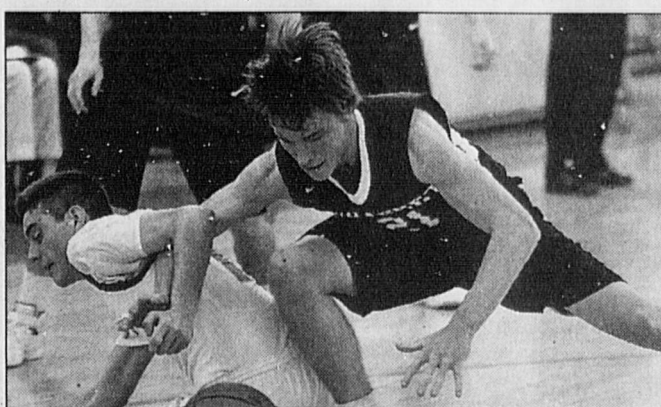
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Chase Bomeisler was intense during the Skippers semifinal win over St. John Paul II. He fouled out with seven minutes to play, but provided 16 points and great defense when he was in.



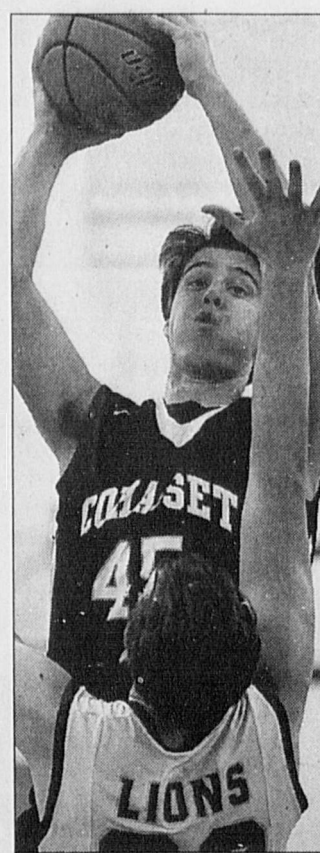
Cohasset's Alex Norton makes a move around St. John Paul II's Nick Cassata March 8 at Bridgewater-Raynham.



Christian Hanke dives for a loose ball in the semifinal game March 8.



Cohasset's Liam O'Connell makes his way through the St. John Paul II defense March 8 at Bridgewater-Raynham.



Cohasset's Chase Bomeisler goes up for a bucket in the Div. 4 South Sectional win over St. John Paul II, March 8 at Bridgewater-Raynham.

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behind, 28-24, early in the second quarter. Timothy Jordan's trey with just over a minute to go helped SJP take a lead into halftime.

"Our pressure, early in the game, got the tempo going the way we wanted," Ruggiero said. "And then they hit some shots ... five threes in the first half. "So we came out in the second half and went halfcourt man-to-man, and our man-to-man absolutely changed the complexion of the game."

Besides holding the Lions to a measly five third-quarter points, the Skippers also got their own outside game going. Junior point guard Liam O'Connell (six points) hit one early, and sophomore guard Sam Lelio (nine points, all on 3-pointers) hit two in a row after Cohasset used a timeout with 1:28 left. The Skippers took a 53-42 lead into the fourth after senior JP Adams tapped his own rebound home at the buzzer.

There was still work to do after Bomeisler fouled out with 7:06 to go, but Norton turned it on after that - with plenty of help from sophomore guard Tommy Carrabes, who scored seven of his nine points in the last eight minutes.

"We hadn't put them away," Ruggiero said. "So we went zone, put (Morton) in the middle, and the key was that we locked them down from shooting the threes. I thought we did a very nice job of controlling the tempo late in the game."

The Skippers also did well to keep everyone involved. "Even though we had some individual performances - 21 by (Morton), 16 by Bomeisler, 11 by (senior guard Christian) Hanke - it was an excellent team effort," Ruggiero said.

Cohasset will shoot for another of those Fridays.

"We'll savor this," Ruggiero said, "and then move forward."

## EXPECTATIONS

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expectations, winning their way to the sectional final that will be Friday March 11 at Curry College at 7:30 p.m.

The Skippers will face No. 2 seeded Cathedral (20-3), a team that Ruggiero has a considerable amount of respect for.

The Skippers faced Cathedral in the South Sectional Final in March 2011, winning that game 65-64 in come-from-behind fashion to earn a trip to the TD Garden and finished its season.

That was the team of Robert Jones, who knocked down four three-pointers in the fourth quarter to help erase a 51-44 deficit in that fourth quarter. It was the team of Kyrel Jaundoo and Robbie Mahoney and Sam Richardson, a team that won 22 games and lost just three.

That year Cathedral was also a 20-game winner, in fact they came into the final with a 20-3 record that year as well.

"We'll be playing Friday night against the obviously vaunted Cathedral team," Ruggiero said after his 2015-16 team upset (at least if you go by seeding and record) top-seeded St. John Paul II 76-60 in the South Sectional semifinal Tuesday March 8 at Bridgewater-Raynham. "We'll enjoy this game tonight, then tomorrow we'll practice and get going."

Cathedral has decimated opponents in the tournament this season, beating opponents 260-129, including a 101-35 romp over Southeastern Regional.

While this season's team isn't going to win 20 games, they enter the final with a 14-9 record, a share of the South Shore League Tobin Division title and no matter the record, they are Sectional Finalists.

The Skippers have been blessed this year with a set

of players who have listened to their coaches and continually improved.

The less experienced players have become leaders and as a team, Cohasset has bought into playing a team game based on defense and teamwork.

Against St. John Paul, the Skippers played non-stop intense defense and offensively shared the ball and used a patient offense to set up quality shots inside - at least those times where the offense wasn't in fast break mode taking advantage of turnovers.

Just as importantly this year has been the emergence of sophomore Chase Bomeisler up front.

The six-foot-six 200-pounder averaged 16 points per game, tough inside defense and the ability to score 20 or more on any given night.

In the semifinal, he scored 16 points before fouling out with seven minutes left to go, but left his mark on the opponents, who had trouble with his physical style of play and were in foul trouble themselves.

"Chase was on the varsity last year," Ruggiero said in December. "With injuries to seniors, he was called on early and often. He was a sixth-man. He's six-foot-six and 200 pounds. He's one of the hardest working big players I've had. He has a terrific attitude and really works hard. He's very teachable and works hard to make himself better. It isn't always easy, especially for a big young kid. He's very impressive."

Senior Alex Norton has been outstanding, and he had a huge game Tuesday, taking over in the middle for Bomeisler after he fouled out. Norton went on a team down the stretch and scored nine of his team-high 22 points during that stretch.

Norton was the only starter with considerable starting experience last year. Other players have stepped up and matured.

Sam Lelio, a sophomore

guard, consistently steps up and hits big three-pointers. Sophomore Tommy Carrabes has played extremely well, as has sophomore Liam O'Connell.

Senior Christian Hanke has contributed on both ends and chipped in 11 in Tuesday's win. Freshman Thatcher Stone has also made some big shots when called on.

One key for the Skippers in their post-season was the return of JP Adams, who missed several games during the season with an injury.

When he went out, he was one of the team's top scorers.

While he was gone, other players stepped up and haven't let up. Adams' return gave Cohasset extra depth needed at playoff time.

One thing Ruggiero did before the season that looks to be helping is upgrading the schedule to include Div. 2 teams like Falmouth and entering a tough tournament in Mansfield during vacation week.

To get to the final, the Skippers beat No. 4 Bishop Connolly (13-5) 57-53 on the road, then knocked off No. 12 West Bridgewater 67-48.

Bomeisler led Cohasset with 17 points and 11 rebounds including three-of-four free throws in the closing minutes to give the Skippers a three point lead at Bishop Connolly.

Norton added 11 points and Adams made a big return from an injury, hitting a pair of three-pointers off the bench as part of his 11 point night.

Stone scored 10 points off the bench, including two three-pointers and three-of-four from the line.

Hanke and Tommy Carrabes played outstanding defense, while Sam Lelio and Liam O'Connell played well at point guard directing the offense.

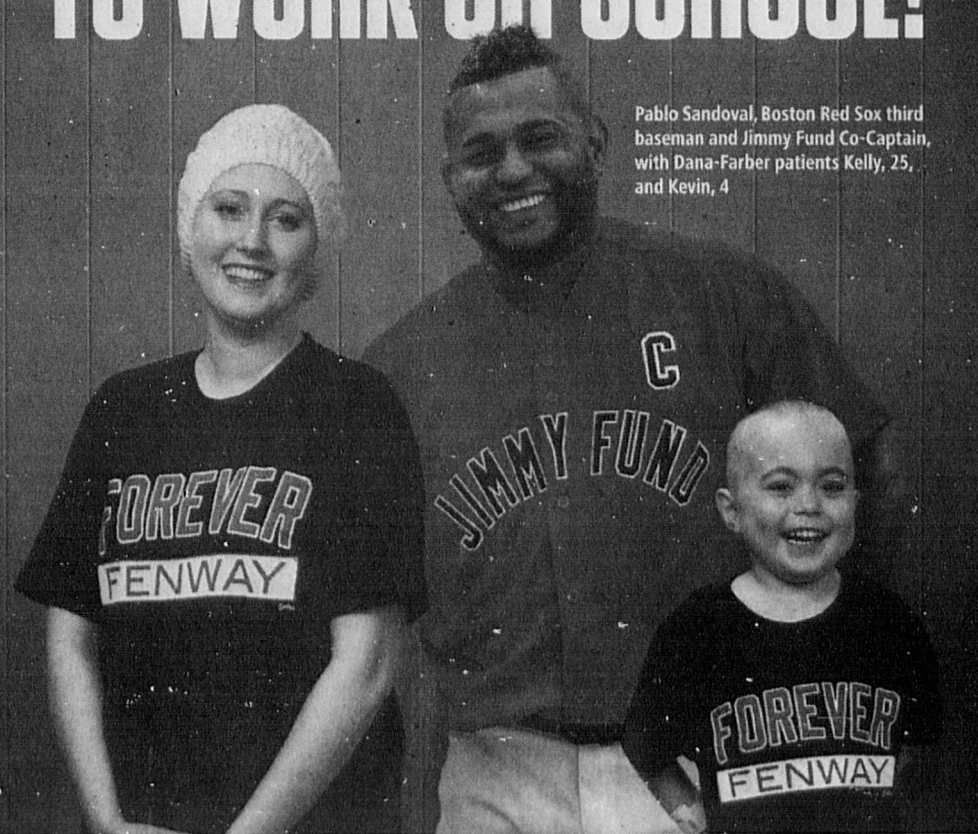
One thing is for certain however - no matter what happens Friday, this year has been a success story.

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## POLITICS

## Meschino first to submit signatures for ballot

Joan Meschino, a non-profit executive and former Hull Selectman running in the Democratic Primary for State Senate has become the first candidate to submit the necessary signatures to qualify for the ballot. Meschino said she submitted well over the required 300 certified signatures to the Secretary of State's office and will appear on the ballot in the Democratic Primary Tuesday, April 12.

"I'm proud of the true district-wide

campaign we are running," Meschino said. "From Duxbury to Weymouth, we have been hosting meet and greets, collecting signatures, and meeting voters in their communities. I am running for Senate to be a strong, independent voice for the South Shore, and I look forward to working with residents across the district on the issues that matter to us. I will be a tireless advocate for our communities as we work to combat the opioid epidemic, invest

in education, and develop comprehensive strategies to address sea level rise and climate change."

Meschino is a lifelong South Shore resident and lives in Hull with her husband, John. She is a former Hull Selectman and current member of Metropolitan Beaches Commission and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. Most recently, she served as Executive Director for the Massachusetts Appleseed Center for Law and Justice.

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— Kristen Alberino is a Social Security Public Affairs Specialist based in Quincy.

## ELECTION

## Primary ballots set for Senate seat

Two Republicans, two Democrats in the running

By Alice Coyle  
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The candidates for the Plymouth and Norfolk senate special election primaries are set.

Two Democrats and two Republicans are running to fill the seat left vacant following the resignation of longtime Republican Senator Robert Hedlund, who was sworn in as mayor of Weymouth in January. Hedlund had represented the district, which includes the towns of Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Norwell, Scituate and Weymouth for 22 years.

Brian McNiff, a spokesman in the elections division of the Secretary of State's office confirmed Tuesday the candidates who filed the 300 signatures required to get on the April 12 primary ballot include Democrats Joan Meschino of Hull, and Paul Gannon of Hingham and Republicans Patrick O'Connor of Weymouth and Stephen Gill of Marshfield.

Brian Cook of Duxbury had announced last month



The April 12 primary ballot include Democrats Joan Meschino of Hull, and Paul Gannon of Hingham and Republicans Patrick O'Connor of Weymouth and Stephen Gill of Marshfield. FILE PHOTOS

he was running as an Independent, but did not file his signatures with the Secretary of State's office by the March 8 deadline, McNiff said. It is still possible Cook could mount a write-in campaign, McNiff confirmed.

Meschino is a former Hull Selectman and Executive Director for the Massachusetts Appleseed Center for Law and Justice, Inc. Hingham Selectman Paul Gannon is an attorney who formerly served

as a state representative in South Boston.

O'Connor is the current president of the Weymouth Town Council and worked as former Senator Robert Hedlund's legislative director for eight years. Gill, a political newcomer is an attorney and veteran and serves in the Navy's Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps Selected Reserve.

Following the April 12 primaries, the special senate election will be held May 10.

## POLITICS

## Gannon pushes for increase in local education funding

Hingham Selectman Paul J. Gannon, a candidate for State Senate district, recently voiced his support of legislators urging the Baker administration and House and Senate leaders to increase local education aid by more than \$20 million.

"I understand that we have to make difficult choices when it comes to determining the budget, but I stand with those legislators who are looking at the 1.6-percent increase in local education funding in the governor's budget proposal and saying it isn't enough," Gannon said.

Gov. Charlie Baker's \$39.5 billion 2017 budget would increase education spending by \$72.1 million, or 1.6 percent, over the current year. In late February a bi-partisan group of 74 lawmakers sent a letter to the chairmen of the House and Senate Ways and Means Committee requesting the minimum aid for school districts climb from \$20 per pupil to \$50 per pupil.

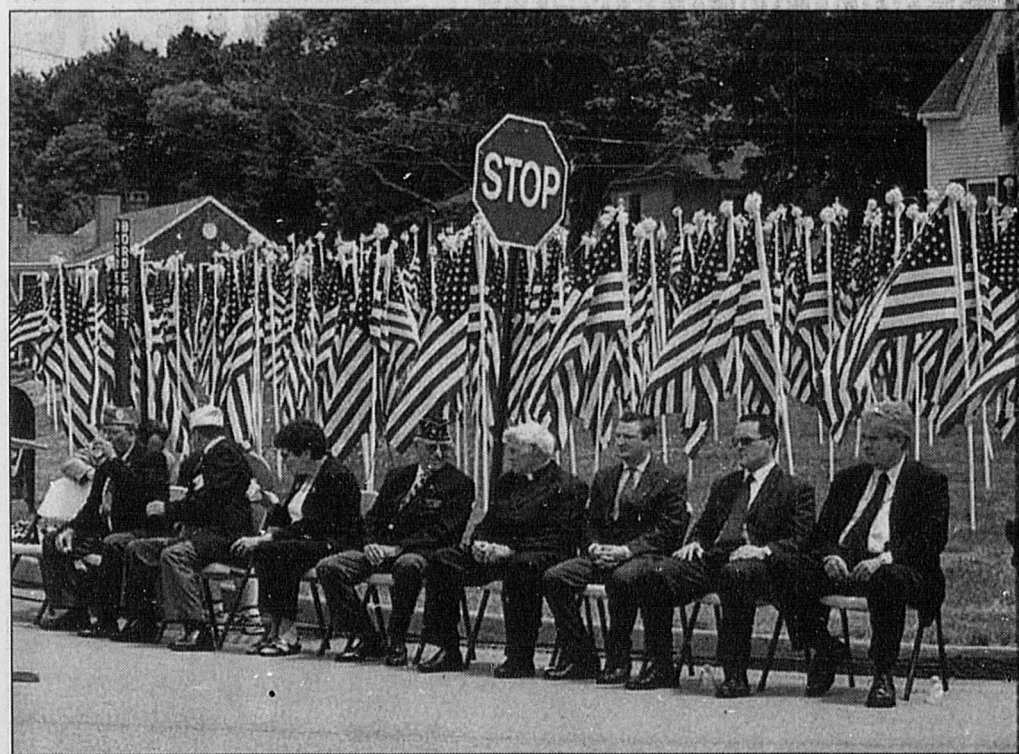
Gannon, who served on the Hingham School Committee before becoming a selectman, said his committee service gave him valuable insight into how school budgets are formulated and

how important state funding is to local districts.

"Like these lawmakers, I believe that we have to find a way to increase education spending by more than the small amount in the current budget proposal. I can add my voice to the cause, and if I receive the honor of representing the Plymouth/Norfolk district I'll add my vote to the cause," Gannon said.

Gannon is a former prosecutor now with his own law practice. He served as a state representative from South Boston before moving to Hingham eight years ago.

## POLITICS



## O'Connor works on behalf of Massachusetts veterans

The State Legislature has made great strides in veteran affairs in recent years. Senate candidate Patrick O'Connor participated in these efforts while working for former Senator Robert Hedlund.

In 2010, after a series of veterans' graves being desecrated across the Commonwealth, O'Connor said he and Hedlund constructed an amendment that dramatically increases the penalty for those who commit these unspeakable acts.

"I couldn't believe that I was seeing people in our state defacing grave-stones of those who died serving our country. I approached Senator

Hedlund with the idea to enforce a penalty for desecrating Veterans' graves, wrote the legislation, and we were able to get the amendment passed unanimously."

The amendment calls for a minimum \$3,000 fine and 500 hours of community service.

During his eight and a half years on Beacon Hill, O'Connor said he has worked to expand benefits, increase access to services, and strengthen the recognition and honor given to our service men and women.

This includes legislation he wrote that expanded Gold Star license plates to

siblings and grandchildren of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice, which was signed into law Dec. 18, 2008, O'Connor said.

"I believe any family that loses a loved one in defense of our country deserves to be recognized and honored," O'Connor said.

Throughout his time as Weymouth Town Council President and Legislative Director, O'Connor has also directly handled hundreds of cases of veterans throughout the district. O'Connor said he wants to continue this work for our service men and women as the district's next State Senator.

## CANDIDATES CORNER

### Meschino campaign kick off set for March 29

Joan Meschino will be formally kicking off her campaign for State Senate on Tuesday, March 29 from 6-8 p.m. The campaign kickoff event will be held at the Nantasket Beach Resort located at 45 Hull Shore Drive in Hull. Admission is complimentary.

### O'Connor yard signs available

If you would like to place a Patrick O'Connor for State Senate yard sign at your home or business during the campaign, please contact the committee at [www.oconnorforSenate.com](http://www.oconnorforSenate.com), by calling 781-626-4031 or stopping by our campaign

headquarters at 777 Broad Street in Jackson Square, Weymouth.

Each community has different laws and rules regarding the placement of political signs. Our dedicated volunteers will deliver as appropriate for each town in the district.

### Gannon campaign volunteer and visibility opportunities

Our next grass roots effort is ensuring visibility at town caucuses, town meetings and town elections. If you're willing to help with visibility at these events please contact [steve@GannonforSenate.com](mailto:steve@GannonforSenate.com).

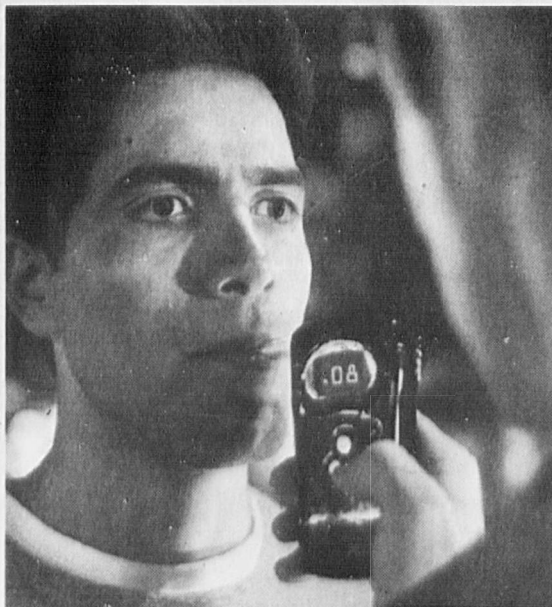
We are also looking for volunteers to distribute lawn and house signs. Each of the eight towns

has a different ordinance and some local traditions to follow, but we have hundreds of request for signs throughout the eight towns and many hands make light work. Also, reach out to [steve@GannonforSenate.com](mailto:steve@GannonforSenate.com) if you would like to help distribute signs or request a sign for your home or business.

### Gannon fundraiser set for March 11

The next fundraiser for the Gannon campaign will be held Friday, March 11 in Weymouth. The event will be held at the VFW Post 1399, 601 Broad Street, Weymouth from 7 to 10 p.m.

For campaign updates visit [GannonforSenate.com](http://GannonforSenate.com), [GannonforSenate.com](http://GannonforSenate.com) on Facebook, and @Gannon-Senate on Twitter.



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The Children's Museum in Easton will visit the school to engage the children with their "Build It" program. Students will design and construct machines using the fundamentals of engineering and physics.

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be back with a host of animals. Event coordinators Danielle Bushley, Jennifer Safarik, Danielle Shahied, Monique Smith and Kathy Sebastyn, all with children at the school, have been working on the event for months.

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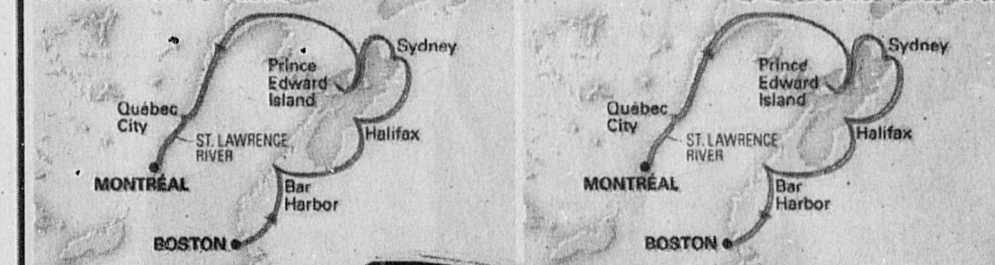


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## DEER HILL

# Efforts behind library dedication

By Amanda C. Thompson  
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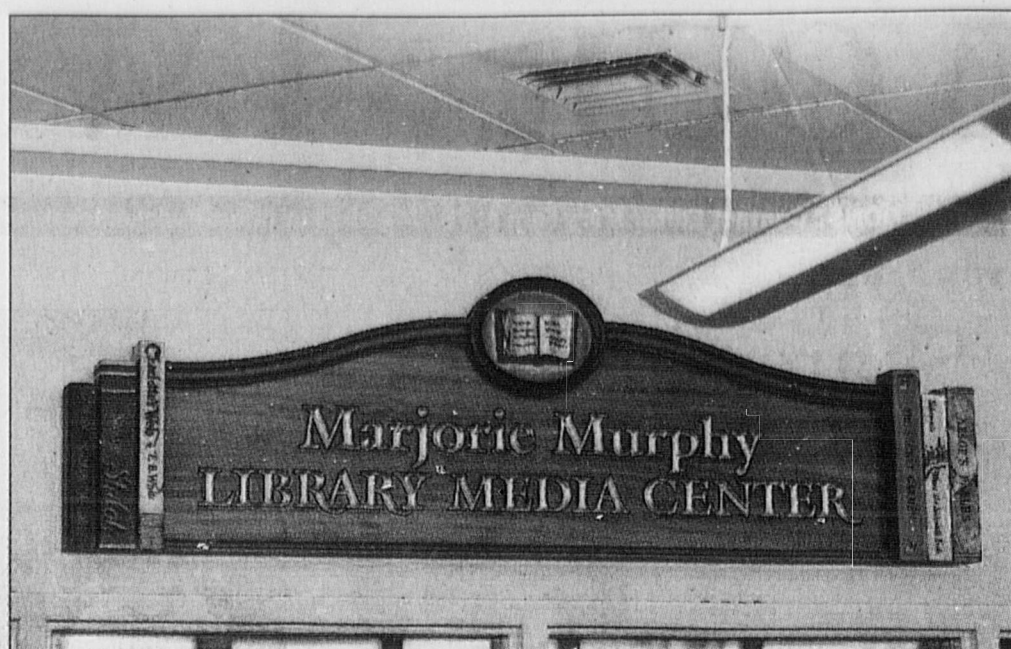
The Mariner would like to recognize the efforts of the Deer Hill Library Dedication Committee, which spearheaded the effort to rename the school's library in memory of former librarian Marjorie Murphy.

The idea to dedicate the

library originated with former curriculum coordinator, Ruth Fennessey. The committee included current Deer Hill teachers Suzi Corkhum (coordinator), Kathy Jordan, and Debbie Henry; former Deer Hill teachers Joan Cassiani and Betty Cisneros; Deer Hill Principal Jennifer deChiara, and Paul Pratt

children's librarian Sharon Moody.

The committee was also responsible for planning the well-attended dedication ceremony that took place on Friday, Feb. 26th. During the ceremony, a new sign was unveiled bearing the library's new name: "The Marjorie Murphy Library Media Center."



The new sign combines a number of popular books and a nod to Marjorie Murphy's Irish heritage. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO BY ROBIN CHAN

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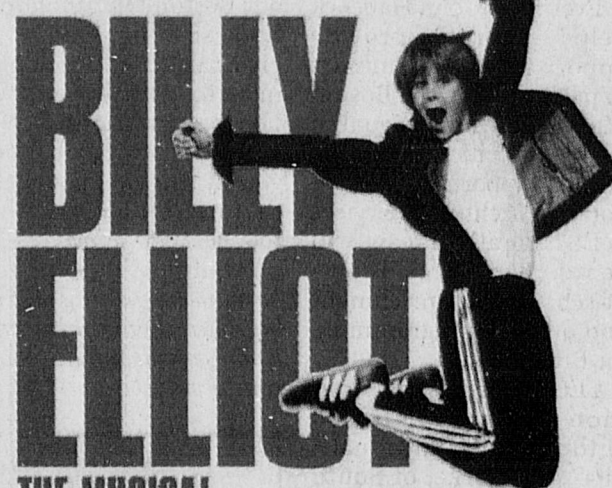
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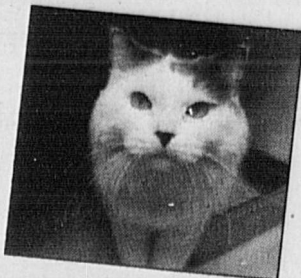
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### MARATHON

## Running for Boston youth services

Carolyn Soules of Cohasset will participate in the 2016 Boston Marathon running on the Youth Enrichment Services team.

Every year, John Hancock helps nonprofits provide opportunities for runners to participate in the Boston Marathon with the goal of raising the critical funds they need to support their causes. Youth Enrichment Services (YES) marathon team will be running to provide out-of-school time enrichment and outdoor programming for Boston youth.

YES's 2016 Boston Marathon team is comprised of three other individuals: Shannon Burke, of South Boston; Michelle Chin, of Brookline; and Dawn Sullivan, of Winthrop. Together, they aspire to raise more than \$40,000 for Boston youth and YES.

Soules and her husband, Jason, have been longtime supporters of YES. She is an outdoor enthusiast and supportive of YES's mission to get inner-city youth outdoors. She has run over 20 marathons, including four Ironman marathons. She last completed the Boston Marathon in 2012.

"Our Boston Marathon team is an important piece of our annual fundraising efforts," said Bryan Van Dorpe, executive director

of Youth Enrichment Services. "We select runners for our team who have a strong connection with our mission. Carolyn is a great fit for our Boston Marathon team because of her passion for giving youth with opportunities to get active outdoors. Her hard work and effort sets a great example for our youth, showing them that they can achieve whatever they set their minds to."

Donations to Soules can be made by visiting [yeskids.org/marathon](http://yeskids.org/marathon). For information: [yeskids.org](http://yeskids.org), [facebook.com/yeskidsboston](https://www.facebook.com/yeskidsboston), [yeskidsboston.com](http://yeskidsboston.com).

### DONATION



Pictured, from left, are members of the confirmation class at Quincy Point Congregational Church: Emma Suzedell, of Cohasset; Anthony Thornhill, of Quincy; Daniel Sweeney and Jessica Sweeney, of North Reading; Joe Suzedell, of Cohasset; and Antonio Alves, of Quincy. Not pictured: Lauren Kearns, of Braintree; Lauren Kemalian, of Westwood; and advisor Adam McGhee, of Quincy. COURTESY PHOTO

## Socks for Father Bill's

The confirmation class of Quincy Point Congregational Church collected more than 750 pairs of new socks for the guests at Father Bill's and Main-Spring House Shelters.

They responded to the urgent need for clean, dry socks to alleviate medical problems caused by chronically wet cold feet for those who deal with homelessness.

### APPLAUSE

## Guempel nominated for US Naval Academy

Rep. Stephen F. Lynch, D-Boston, recently announced the nomination of Brittany Guempel, of Cohasset, for appointment to the United States Naval Academy. Guempel, the daughter of Denise and Eric Guempel, is a senior at Cohasset Middle High School.

As part of his congressional duties, Lynch nominates exemplary candidates to the service academies each year.

"These candidates are the best of the best, and I am proud of their desire to serve our country. The academies graduate leaders who will guide our nation into the future and the men and women who attend the academies are entrusted with the greatest responsibility, to serve and protect the United States of America," said Lynch.

"Brittany was highly recommended by her teachers at Cohasset Middle High School. She is a remarkable young woman, and we are fortunate that young people like Brittany are willing to serve our nation," said Lynch.

Lynch and his congressional liaison to the United States Service Academies, Bob Fowkes, examined each candidate's record of academic, athletic and

service achievements in addition to evaluating letters of recommendation. After an extensive review process and a personal interview, Guempel was selected as someone whose scholastic record and community contributions elevated her to the top of a list of well-qualified candidates.

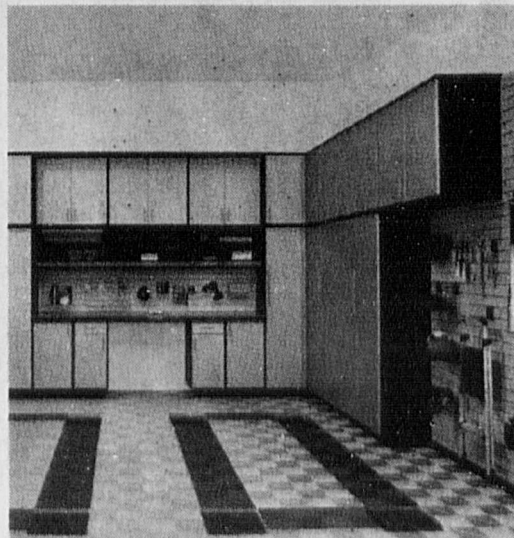
"There were many impressive candidates this year for the United States Naval Academy," Lynch added. "Brittany stood out as a young woman of keen intelligence and strong character. She is a wonderful reflection of her parents, Denise and Eric. The Guempel family, the town of Cohasset, and the entire Commonwealth of Massachusetts should be proud of Britagne in this achievement."

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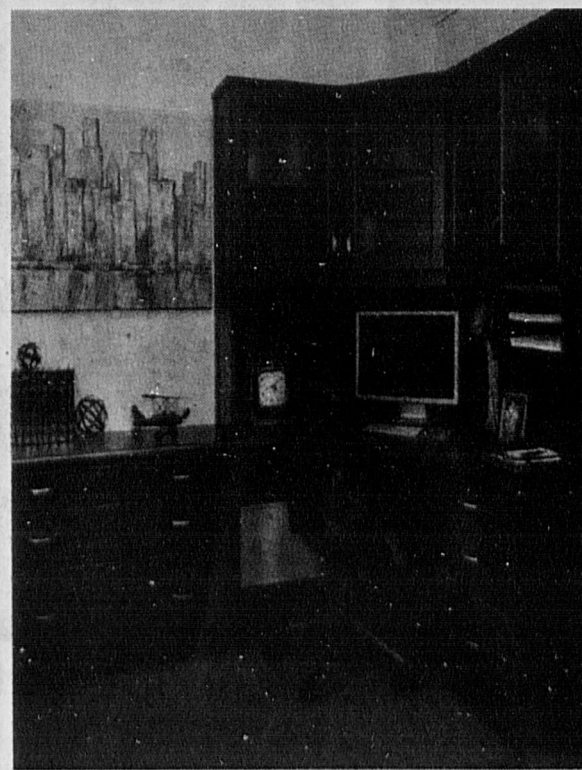


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### BRIEFLY

## Art center spring classes

South Shore Art Center recently announced its spring schedule of courses and workshops in all media for students of all ages and abilities, which will begin April 25 at South Shore Art Center, 119 Ripley Road.

New youth classes include Art Expressions-Moving on Up, for third through sixth grades on Friday afternoons, and Fledgling Creations, for kindergarten through first grade, on Monday afternoons. Both classes are taught by Patrice Kelley. An April Vacation camp will be held during the April school vacation, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 19-22.

New adult classes include Still Life: Painting with Light and Color taught by Renee Caouette, How to Stop Worrying and Paint More with Paul Endres Jr., Flowers from a Painter's Garden with Sarah Roche and Experimental Pastel Master Class with Cape Cod artist Ed Chesnovitch. Classes and workshops are offered in all media for all ages and abilities.

Drawing and painting classes also are offered at the Hingham Community Center, 70 South St., Hingham.

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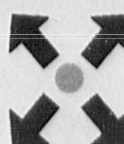
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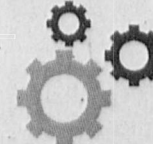
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## ON STAGE



Actors rehearse opening scenes from the production of "Guys and Dolls."

# 'Guys and Dolls' opens tonight

Cohasset Dramatic Club presents the musical comedy "Guys and Dolls," opening at 7:30 p.m. March 11 at Cohasset Town Hall Theater, 41 Highland Ave.

Other performance dates are: 7:30 p.m. March 12, 18-19, 24-26; and 2 p.m. March 13 and 20. "Guys and Dolls" features the music and lyrics of Frank Loesser, with book by Abe Burrows and Jo Swerling.

Cohasset Dramatic Club pays tribute to its roots in presenting this show that takes audiences to a bygone era through the streets

of Times Square to the clubs of old Havana. "Guys and Dolls" is a romantic comedy wrapped up in dice games, nightclub glitz and glamour, and big musical numbers.

Tickets are \$20 for general admission. For a cast list, further information or to purchase tickets online, visit [cohassetdramaticclub.org](http://cohassetdramaticclub.org). Group tickets can be reserved by calling 617-922-0280.

"Guys and Dolls" is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International.

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Chris Bernstein**



Mike Nakashima of Cohasset as Benny.



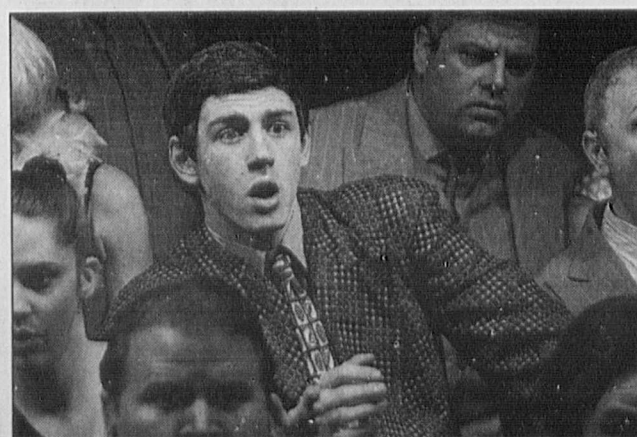
Cohasset actor Mark Alves as Arvide Abernathy.



Sisters, Madison (L) and Halle Pratt (R), of Cohasset, as hot box girls in the production of "Guys and Dolls."



Chris D'Orio (center) as Nicely Nicely, sings 'Sit Down You're Rocking the Boat.'



Michael Baldry of Cohasset as Angie the Ox.



Steve Dooner as Nathan Detroit and Kelly Hynes as Adelaide.



L-R, Rob Buckel-Gillis as Harry Horse, Chris D'Orio as Nicely Nicely Johnson, and Mike Nakashima as Benny.



## LOCAL HISTORY

# Etrusco came to shore 60 years ago

By Ruth Thompson  
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*Editor's note: Editor Mary Ford was a second-grader living in the Sand Hills section of Scituate when the Etrusco arrived. She recalls walking to Cedar Point every day to see the ship and all the activity surrounding it.*

There was a blizzard raging and the power was out; oil lamps and candles illuminated Andrea Hunt's home in North Scituate the day Etrusco ran aground.

"Then Stafford Short shows up with his dog, Bruin, this big Newfoundland," Hunt recalled. "He was dating my older sister. He and the dog were both covered in snow and ice. He told us he had been at the lighthouse and had witnessed this enormous ship coming aground. It was the Etrusco."

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the grounding of the Italian freighter on the rocks at Cedar Point.

At the time, Hunt was 11 years old. She still distinctly remembers the excitement of that night as Short, wrapped in Hunt's father's robe, talked in great detail about what he had experienced.

"We towed off the dog, sat by the fire and listened as he told us how the Coast Guard was taking the crew off the ship by highline," she said. "Mrs. Russo, who lived in the house there, was letting the guys into her home."

The next day, after the storm subsided, Hunt and her family went to see the grounded ship.

"We could see it from the distance," she said. "We couldn't believe how huge it was."

David Ball, president of the Scituate Historical Society, remains fascinated with the ship's history.

The ship, stretching 441 feet long and weighing 7,000 tons, was built at the Burrard Dry Dock Company in Vancouver, Canada and was paid for by the United States.

"She was a Fort Type Ship, which were very similar to the American Liberty Ships," Ball said. "When she was launched, she was named Fort Poplar and began service in late October 1942."

The British government used Fort Poplar, named after an early Canadian fort, during World War II.

"She was in many convoys that sailed to Russia, the Mediterranean, and South America," Ball said. "While in the Mediterranean, she was attacked by the German Air Force and one of her crewman was killed."

After the war, the ship was returned to the United States, and in 1947 was sold to an Italian shipping company that renamed it Etrusco.

The Etrusco was on route to Boston Harbor to pick up cargo on March 16, 1956 when ended up in Scituate.

"As she arrived off of Boston, a late winter blizzard had just begun and the Boston Port Authority wouldn't allow Etrusco to enter the harbor," Ball said. "She headed out to sea, but the blizzard winds overwhelmed the ship and she was driven ashore at Scituate Lighthouse."

## Breeches buoy

The following morning the crew was brought ashore by breeches buoy, a rope-based rescue device.

"The significance of the rescue method cannot be overlooked," local author and historian John Galluzzo said. "Using a shoulder-fired, line-throwing gun to establish the ancient beach apparatus set-up, the breeches buoy was very antiquated by that point in time, but it proved to be the best method to get the men off the ship."

The Italian crew was taken into the nearby home of Mrs. Lena Russo.

"Mrs. Russo could speak fluent Italian so the crew was calmed by her presence," Ball said. "In an interview that I had in 2004 with Gianni Belfiore, the youngest member of the crew, he said the experience of the Etrusco grounding was the scariest of his career at sea."

The Italian owners quickly gave up hope of getting the vessel off the beach and sold it to a small salvage company, Ball said.

"They hired retired Rear Admiral Lebbeus Curtis to pull the ship off the beach," he continued. "Salvage operations began during the summer. Anchors were set about 1,500 feet seaward of Etrusco and the ship's winches, powered by compressed air, slowly pulled the bow of the ship seaward."

On Thanksgiving in 1956, Etrusco was pulled from the beach and taken to Boston for repairs. She was renamed Scituate and went on for another few years until she was scrapped in 1964.

When the Etrusco was finally floated off, Hunt said it was almost sad.

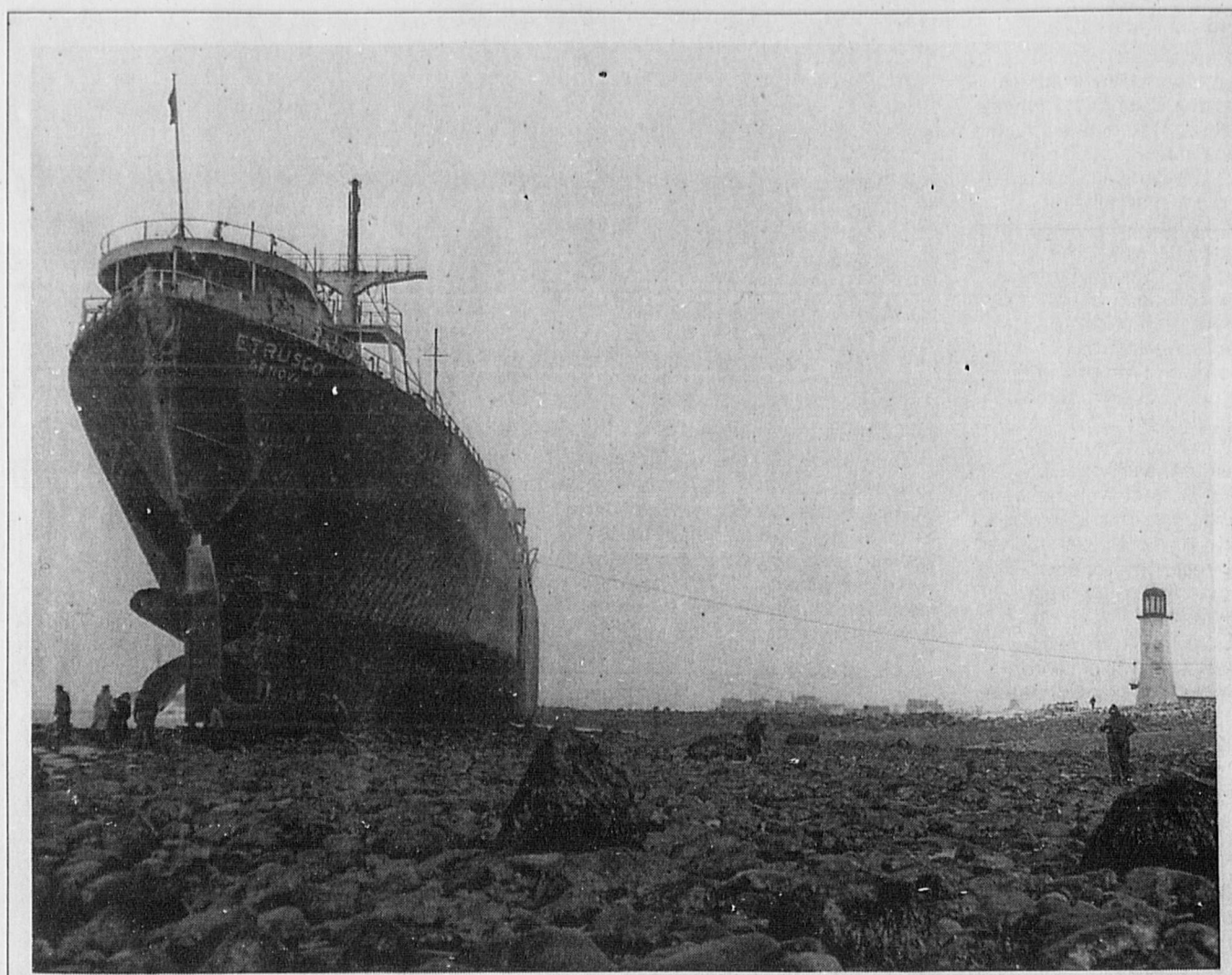
"It was like it had become a part of the town," she said.

## Tourist attraction

The grounding of Etrusco was a huge media event, both Hunt and Ball said.

"It was a national story and drew 50,000 visitors to the lighthouse on good weather weekends," Ball said. "Some of those visitors to the ship liked the town so much they ended up moving to Scituate."

Echoing Ball, Lightkeeper Bob Gallagher said along with the opening of Route 3, Etrusco helped draw people looking to leave the city to Scituate.



The Italian freighter Etrusco was left high and dry after high seas threw her up on the beach at Scituate. Photo courtesy of U.S. Coast Guard

"You can see it in the plans that were developed by the town in the aftermath," he said. "Visiting Scituate to see Etrusco was the first step toward the town multiplying in size."

Where it landed helped make the Etrusco a tourist attraction, Galluzzo said.

"It parallel parked itself directly next to a parking lot, near a historic lighthouse. It's the kind of stuff chambers of commerce dream of," he said.

Galluzzo mentions Bill's Lunch Box, the school bus that pulled out to Cedar Point to sell coffee and hot dogs to the throngs of visitors who came to see Etrusco.

"Bill had to be a genius, but what about the overall economic impact on the community for the eight months the ship was there," Galluzzo asked. "Scituate Harbor is not exactly on the beaten path for travelers, even today, so you have to figure that especially back then, before Route 3 was completed, people had to plan to spend part of the day in town, even if that just meant lunch."

Hunt recalled long lines of cars parading around Cedar Point for months.

"The Etrusco wasn't roped off," she said. "You could go right up to it and touch it."

## A lasting legacy

In 1957, locals decided to do something to carry on the spirit of helping others and formed Scituate Etrusco Associates, a medical equipment lending organization.

"Scituate Etrusco Associates still carries out their mission of loaning crutches,



A crewman from the grounded Italian freighter SS Etrusco is brought safely to the beach by Coast Guardsman in beeches buoy rescue operations. Thirty crewmen, after being stranded aboard ship for 10 hours, were rescued by Coast Guardsmen from Scituate and Point Allerton Lifeboat Stations. PHOTO COURTESY OF U.S. COAST GUARD

wheelchairs, walkers, and other medical equipment to Scituate residents and surrounding towns," Ball said.

Galluzzo considers Scituate Etrusco Associates' founding from the grounding "one of the most heartwarming tales in South Shore history."

"The fact that the people

of Scituate wanted to keep the good feelings moving forward after the sailors had left, it's enchanting," he said.

The grounding of Etrusco is the story that just keeps giving and giving, Gallagher said.

"There seems to be a new angle that emerges

every year. Every day I am in a conversation about Etrusco. Guests come from everywhere who tell me they were brought down to Scituate to see the ship that summer."

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The Etrusco sits on the Scituate beach after coming aground. The Italian owners quickly gave up hope of getting the vessel off the beach and sold it to a small salvage company. PHOTO COURTESY OF U.S. COAST GUARD



People came from all over to get a glimpse of the Etrusco, which helped put Scituate on the map as an unexpected, unplanned tourist attraction. COURTESY PHOTO

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COHASSET POLICE/FIRE LOG

The following are excerpts from the Cohasset Police/Fire Log which is public record and available for review.

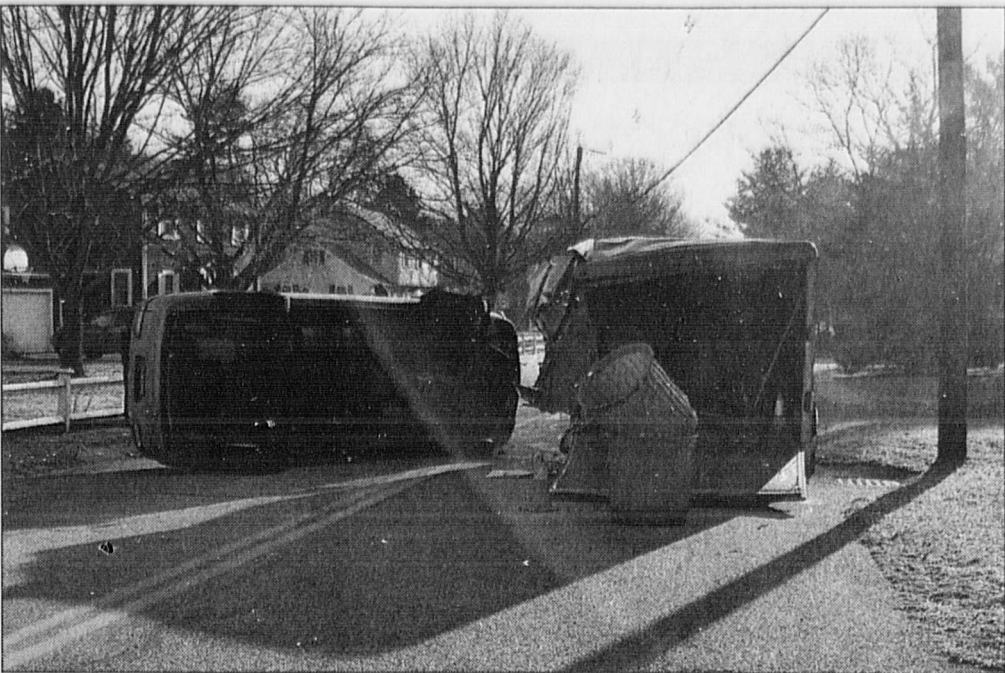
Monday, Feb. 29

**1:09 p.m.:** A motor vehicle accident was reported at Cohasset Plaza on **Chief Justice Cushing Highway**. A caller stated he was in the bank, and when he came out, the car was scratched and had a small dent.  
**1:43 p.m.:** A caller reported there was a mattress on what she believed to be town property at on **Parker Avenue**. Department of Public Works was notified.  
**3:42 p.m.:** A motor vehicle complaint was reported on **Marion Way**. Caller stated there were workers in the area that were speeding by his residence. Vehicles were gone upon officer arrival.  
**4:44 p.m.:** Cruiser involved in a minor motor vehicle accident; paperwork was exchanged.  
**5:52 p.m.:** Wrecker requested after motor vehicle stop at **Beechwood Street and Chief Justice Cushing Highway**. Revoked registration due to cancellation of insurance.

Tuesday, March 1

**4:02 a.m.:** A fire alarm was reported on **Chief Justice Cushing Highway**. The building was checked and secured.  
**4:11 a.m.:** A caller reported power being out on **Bow Street** for over five minutes.  
**4:13 a.m.:** Tree down with wires at **Sohier Street and Chittenden Lane**. Road closed for an hour; National Grid notified.  
**9:02 a.m.:** Officer on traffic enforcement at **Beechwood and Doane streets**.  
**9:47 a.m.:** A motor vehicle accident was reported on **Chief Justice Cushing Highway at Beechwood Street**. A caller reported a two-car accident and stated that everyone was out of the vehicle and no one appeared to be injured. A citation was issued to one party.  
**1:26 p.m.:** Officer conducting traffic enforcement on

Traffic Safety Tip of the Week



Sun glare can be dangerous to any driver. To avoid getting momentarily blinded by the sun, try anticipating where the glare may be a factor and have your visor already lowered, use polarized sunglasses that can help prevent glare, reduce your speed, leave extra space between your car and the car ahead of you, and keep both the inside and outside of your windshield clean. This crash occurred early morning in South Hingham. COURTESY PHOTO

**Sohier Street.**  
**2:52 p.m.:** Caller reports his intoxicated friend jumped out of his car at the **Stop & Shop gas station** and took off. The drunken man is from Wakefield but is originally from Cohasset. Police did not locate him.  
**5:04 p.m.:** Caller reports woman in green minivan at **Stop & Shop gas station** appears to be drunk. Police notified area police departments but she was not located.  
**8:50 p.m.:** Blue Water Dredging has removed all hazardous material from the end of **Parker Avenue**.

Wednesday, March 2

**2:10 a.m.:** Man reports woman he has connected with on Facebook sent messages about doing harm to herself. Her cell phone was pinged to Haverhill police who located her; she denied the report and does not want to make contact with the caller.

**4:07 a.m.:** A suspicious motor vehicle was reported at **River Road and South Main Street**. A caller reported a dark color car parked in the southbound lane. Caller reported that no one was in the vehicle.  
**12:21 p.m.:** Cohasset man into **headquarters** to report his passport is lost so he can apply for a replacement.  
**2:55 p.m.:** A dispute was reported on **South Main Street**. Caller reported a dispute over car parts with a customer. Caller is attempting to deliver parts. The dispute is between the caller and the Cohasset business. Officer spoke with both parties, and an agreement was made. Civil matter.  
**6:16 p.m.:** Officer conducting traffic enforcement at **Cedar and Hull streets**.

Thursday, March 3

**8:38 a.m.:** An animal complaint was reported on **Chief Justice Cushing Highway**. Caller reported a

dead animal that looked like a dog in the middle of the road. Officer reported it was a dead racoon just over the line in Scituate.  
**11:41 a.m.:** Officer removing a license plate from a parked vehicle off **Ripley Road** due to revoked status.  
**1:52 p.m.:** A manhole cover on **North Main Street** was reported to be halfway off where cars park near the duck pond. An area search turned up negative.  
**6:39 p.m.:** A burglary alarm was reported on **Jerusalem Road**. Officer reported an alarm sounding, but the house appeared in order.  
**7:02 p.m.:** A burglary alarm was reported on **Howard Gleason Road**. An alarm company reported a fire alarm activation, reportedly caused by a cooking accident. Homeowner gave correct passcode. Services were rendered and everything checked out OK.  
**7:52 p.m.:** Officer conducting traffic enforcement at **Forest Avenue and N. Main Street**.

Friday, March 4

**6:17 a.m.:** Officer on traffic patrol on **N. Main Street** near 300 block.  
**7:29 a.m.:** Caller reports they were tailgated by vehicle near **Pond and Spring streets**. Last saw it going toward the water.  
**10:11 a.m.:** A suspicious motor vehicle was reported on **Atlantic Avenue**. Caller reported a white Cadillac sedan parked in lower driveway for 40 minutes. The motor vehicle belonged to a National Grid work crew. Officers spoke to the crew. Homeowner was advised that car is OK to be there.  
**10:32 a.m.:** A fire alarm was reported on **Windy Hill Road**. Caller reported plugging in her coffee pot and a flame erupted from the outlet. Caller reports no smoke and no fire at the time. Services were rendered.  
**7:06 p.m.:** Officer conducting traffic enforcement at **S. Main and Summer streets**.  
**8:37 p.m.:** Caller from **Deep Run** reports tree down on a wire attached to a utility pole. National Grid to respond.  
**11:05 p.m.:** Suspicious activity was reported on **Smith Place**. Caller reported someone pulling up to her house, going to her mailbox and then running down the street. Caller stated there was nothing in her mailbox. No plate or description of the vehicle was obtained. An area search turned up negative.

Saturday, March 5

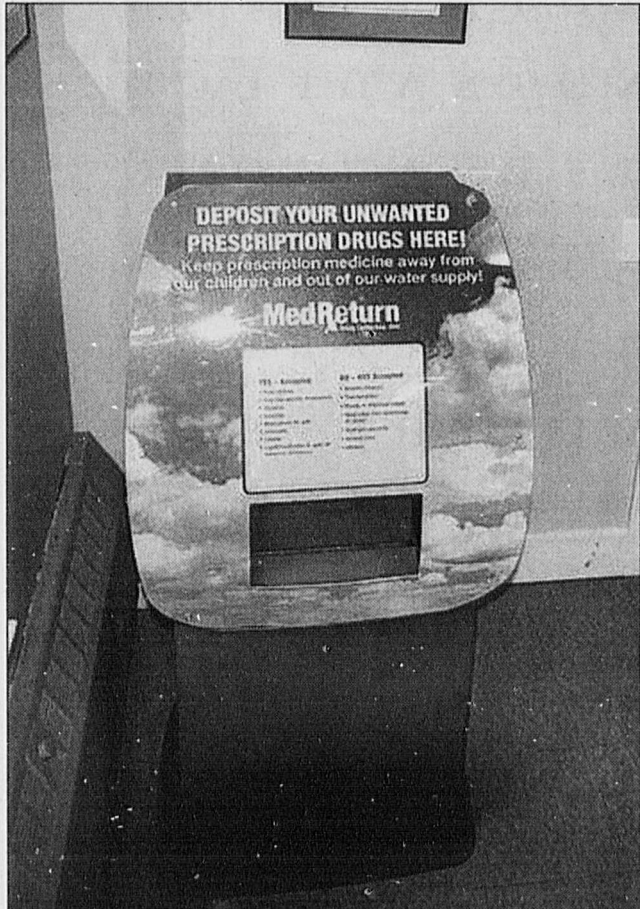
**7:25 a.m.:** A summons was issued on **Highland Court**. Officers attempted to serve the summons but no one was home at the time. Summons ended up served.  
**7:51 a.m.:** Fire dept. received multiple calls about road conditions on **Beechwood Street**, wants DPW sander to come through.  
**8:23 a.m.:** Sergeant asks DPW to sand the town.  
**8:57 a.m.:** Caller at **Beechwood and King streets** reports streets are icy.  
**9:34 a.m.:** A motor vehicle

accident was reported at **Pleasant Street and Reservoir Road**. Caller reported a flipped vehicle that had slid on ice. A woman was stuck in the flipped vehicle in her seat belt. The woman was removed from the vehicle and checked out for injuries.  
**11:34 a.m.:** A fire alarm was reported on **Old Coach Road**. Caller reported a burning smell coming from the boiler room in the basement. Caller was advised to have everyone wait outside. There was an issue with the oil heating system. Services were rendered.  
**4:55 p.m.:** An animal complaint was reported on **South Main Street**. A caller reported a medium-sized black dog wandering around the area in the roadway and sidewalks. An area search turned up negative.  
**11:09 p.m.:** Suspicious activity was reported on **North Main Street**. A caller reported a truck parked with the hazards on for a few hours. Caller was unsure if the vehicle was running or occupied. An area search turned up negative.  
**11:53 p.m.:** Suspicious activity was reported on **Chief Justice Cushing Highway**. Services were rendered.

Sunday, March 6

**3:51 a.m.:** A suspicious motor vehicle was reported on **North Main Street**. Services were rendered.  
**6:42 a.m.:** Officer conducting traffic enforcement at **400 Chief Justice Cushing Highway**.  
**12:08 p.m.:** Man driving BMW with flashers on, **Chief Justice Cushing Highway and Pond Street**. Man had flat tire and is now off the road.  
**5:12 p.m.:** A burglary alarm was reported on **Chief Justice Cushing Highway**. The building appeared secure upon investigation.  
**7:15 p.m.:** A noise complaint was reported on **Smith Place**. A caller reported construction noise coming from somewhere on Pleasant Street. Officers report construction going on in the area and has been halted for the night.

HEALTH



The drug kiosk is available 24/7 in the police station for drop off of old, unused or outdated medication. COURTESY PHOTO

How to dispose of old prescriptions

Unwanted or outdated drugs can become the target of theft and misuse, especially by teenagers. To avoid theft and misuse, the Cohasset Police Department has a program designed to significantly reduce the prescription drugs in Cohasset homes that are either no longer needed or outdated. America's 12 to 17 year olds have made prescription drugs the number one substance of abuse for their age group, and much of that supply is unwittingly coming from the medicine cabinets of their parents, grandparents, and friends. Law enforcement is the only entity legally able to accept these medications

and process them properly so that they do not fall into the wrong hands. Law enforcement takes control of and destroys drugs on a regular basis as part of their regular operations. Please join police in this effort by recognizing the need to remove unwanted or outdated drugs from your home. You can participate by anonymously depositing these unwanted or outdated drugs in the police department's drug disposal kiosk, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, located inside the police station lobby. Note: Needles are not accepted. Liquids are accepted but should be tightly closed and then sealed inside a plastic bag.

REAL ESTATE

Norfolk County Register reports February activity

Improved weather from a year ago and a one-day leap year bonus helped propel the Norfolk County real estate market to solid gains in February 2016. "The month of February saw a 12 percent increase in the number of land documents recorded compared to the same time period in 2014," Register William P. O'Donnell noted. "Most significantly, the total number of deeds recorded increased by 20 percent from 870 to 1,042 compared to the previous February. While the weather and leap year were significant factors, I would also argue that this data reflects the vibrancy of Norfolk County's real estate market." In addition to the increased deed transactions, the total volume of commercial and residential sales also increased by a significant 55 percent coming in at \$519 million. Also, the average sales price of Norfolk County commercial and residential property rose by 23 percent to \$907,950. "These numbers clearly say it all, that Norfolk County remains a destination location to live and work," said O'Donnell. The mortgage market was mixed for the month of February, showing a very slight dip in mortgages recorded, but a significant increase in overall mortgage financing. "The total number of mortgages recorded fell by 3 percent to 1,911 compared to the same time period in 2015. While this number is hard to assess given all the other positive data, the reduction may be the result of a slight uptick in mortgage rates and also the continuing impact that the new disclosure rules are having on the length of real estate closings. "However, February

In addition to the increased deed transactions, the total volume of commercial and residential sales also increased by a significant 55 percent coming in at \$519 million. Also, the average sales price of Norfolk County commercial and residential property rose by 23 percent to \$907,950. 2016 also saw a 63 percent increase in total mortgage financing, coming in at \$1.3 billion. This increase was partly attributable to a \$479 million mortgage recorded against a property in Norwood," said O'Donnell. In February, Homestead recordings increased by 19 percent. O'Donnell reiterated the importance of the Homestead Act. "A Homestead provides limited protection against the forced sale of an individual's primary residence to satisfy unsecured debt up to \$500,000. Details on the Homestead Act can be found on our website, norfolkdeeds.org. I urge homeowners to consider this vital consumer protection." February data wasn't all sunshine according to O'Donnell. "A total of 30 foreclosure deeds were recorded last month compared to 25 filings in the previous year, resulting in a 20 percent increase," he said. "This increase is partly attributable to lending institutions that are continuing to work through delinquent mortgages, dating back in some cases to the 2008 recession. More troubling was the continuing increases seen in Notice to Foreclose Mortgage recordings, the first step in the foreclosure process. A total of 55 Notice to Foreclose Mortgages were filed in February compared to 41 in February 2015. "These filings are a clear indication that while the eastern Massachusetts economy remains strong, many of our neighbors continue to face economic hardship," stated O'Donnell. The Registry of Deeds continues to work with Quincy Community Action Programs and Neighborhoods Southern Mass to help homeowners who have received a Notice to Foreclose Mortgage. Another option for homeowners facing challenges meeting their monthly mortgage payments is to contact the Attorney General's HomeCorps program. "While there were unique variables that impacted the February real estate market in Norfolk County, it is my contention that these figures provide unmistakable evidence that the economy remains strong and there is a decent pool of buyers and sellers in the housing market," said O'Donnell. "With that said one thing we need to continue to do is to keep a close eye on real estate inventory. Any reduction could result in a slowdown. Overall, I am pleased the Norfolk County real estate market came through the long days of winter in good shape. I am cautiously looking forward to a strong spring season." To learn more about these and other Registry of Deeds events and initiatives, like the Register of Deeds at facebook.com/NorfolkDeeds or

follow on twitter.com/NorfolkDeeds. The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, 649 High St., Dedham, is the principal office for real property in Norfolk County. The registry is a resource for homeowners, title examiners, mortgage lenders, municipalities and others with a need for secure, accurate and accessible land record information. Residents in need of assistance can contact the Registry of Deeds Customer Service Center via telephone at 781-461-6101, or on the web at norfolkdeeds.org.

Legal Notices

BUDGET HEARING 3/16/16  
LEGAL NOTICE  
COHASSET PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
PUBLIC HEARING ON  
FY17 School Budget

A public hearing has been scheduled on March 16, 2016 at 6:30 PM. The hearing will be held in the School Community Room at Cohasset Middle/High School, 143 Pond Street, Cohasset, MA 02025. The purpose of this meeting is to invite public comment as the law requires, on the School Committee's deliberation on the FY17 School Budget for Cohasset School District.

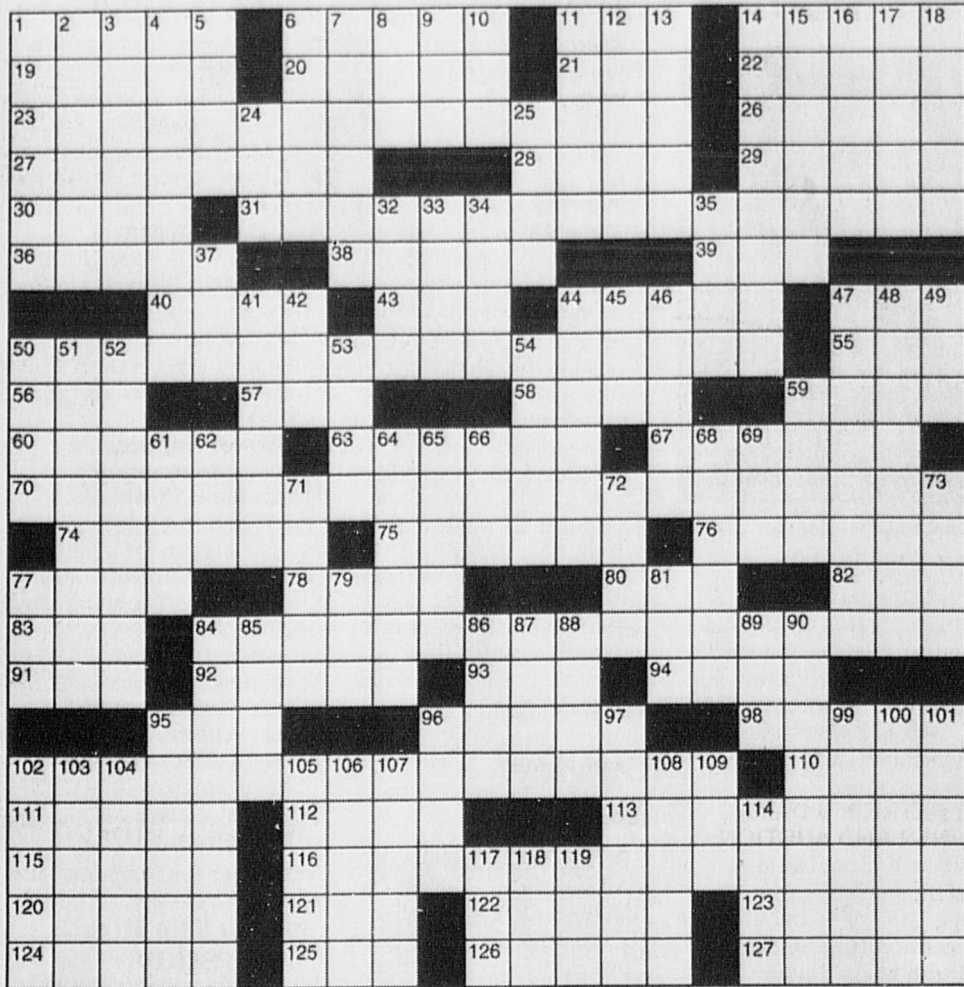
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# PUZZLES

## Crossword • PERFECT PRESENTATION



- ACROSS**  
1 Sag down  
6 "Your Business" channel  
11 Solo seen with Chewbacca  
14 Snapshot  
19 Meet with fellow grads  
20 Classic name in arcades  
21 Santa — Zoo  
22 Biblical king in Matthew  
23 Start of a riddle  
26 "I come from — down under" (1981 hit song lyric)  
27 English king called "the Conqueror"  
28 Sunrise side  
29 Concerning kidneys  
30 Airline to Lod  
31 Riddle, part 2  
36 1987 NFL MVP John  
38 Some tournament rounds, informally  
39 "There — god!"  
40 Comply with  
43 Ore- — (maker of Crisper!)  
44 Sticky stuff  
47 Vainglory  
50 Riddle, part 3  
55 Down time  
56 "Eh" grade  
57 Very old  
58 Choir female  
59 High-school grad, e.g.  
60 Stick (to)  
63 Catch sight of  
67 State-of-mind missions, in military slang  
70 Riddle, part 4  
74 Diving result  
75 Not casual  
76 Lead role in "La Cage aux Folles"  
77 End in — (finish evenly)  
78 Oceanic filler  
80 Thai language  
82 Little peeve  
83 Part of DOJ: Abbr.  
84 Riddle, part 5  
91 Certain poem  
92 Check casher, say  
93 Kicker  
94 Groza  
94 Seeks some answers  
95 Brand of brake fluid  
96 "Greetings"  
98 Calyx part  
102 End of the riddle  
110 Firework part  
111 City near Giza  
112 Holy likeness  
113 Prehensile-tailed fish  
115 Fight  
116 Riddle's answer  
120 Nobel winner  
121 Joliot-Curie  
122 Immense time span  
123 Subparts  
124 Penetrating  
124 Was nery enough  
125 007, for one  
126 Ballerina's skill, in Paris  
127 Actress Witherspoon  
33 Verdi work  
34 Apple option  
35 — and kin  
37 Kobe cash  
41 Florida birds  
42 Driver's peg  
44 Medusas' counterparts  
45 At a boat's back  
46 "It's hard to — Trane"  
47 GOP symbol  
48 Fights noisily  
49 Have little to garment  
50 Bankbook ID  
51 Put back on the roster  
52 Certain organ part  
53 Bygone bird  
54 Long-eared leapers  
59 Little city  
61 Qualified  
62 By means of  
64 Hang in there  
65 Prized violin, for short  
66 Fidel's friend  
68 Guevara  
68 Pabst beer  
69 "— hawl!" (rodeo cry)  
71 Of ill repute  
72 Golfer  
73 Sandy  
73 Film terrier  
77 Big whoop  
79 "Shucks"  
81 Sly-fox linkup  
84 Bought the film rights to  
85 Performs like Snopce Lion  
86 Makeup of Hawaii  
87 Noodlehead  
88 Waikiki  
89 wiggling  
89 Accepts  
90 Send in troops, e.g.  
95 Holy place  
96 Innuendo  
97 Inceptions  
100 Frozen or liquid things  
101 "Joan of Arc" star  
102 Pungent  
103 Dr. of radio  
104 Winter coat feature  
105 Hill helpers  
106 Inside story  
107 Singer Bono  
108 Tantalize  
109 Snead of golf  
114 Frosty coat  
117 "Slung" stuff  
118 — steady basis  
119 Wine, in Paris

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## Sudoku

	5	6	2					1
4				9				3
		1			8	5		
		4			2		6	
9			7			4		
	2			8			5	9
1			5				7	
		2		4	1	3		
	6			3				4

Level: Challenging

### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

## Magic Maze • PLAYERS AND COACHES OF THE 2012 DREAM TEAM

C G D B Y W T R P M K I F N D  
C B K Y W U S Q O M K I F A D  
H B Z O X D W M U S Q O N L L  
A L A D O U G I I J H F D L C  
N A N Y K R Z Y Z E W S K I W  
D V T J T A B T P S H Q P M N  
L L H A I N O T N A D E L C K  
E I O M H T F E S A U A O M C  
R B N E D R A H Z E Y L V B Y  
W V Y S M A I L L I W R E I U  
S R Q P N M L J I H F E B D S

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

Anthony	D'Antoni	James	Paul
Boeheim	Davis	Krzyzewski	Westbrook
Bryant	Harden	Love	Williams
Chandler	Iguodala	McMillan	

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## HOROSCOPE

### Salome's Stars

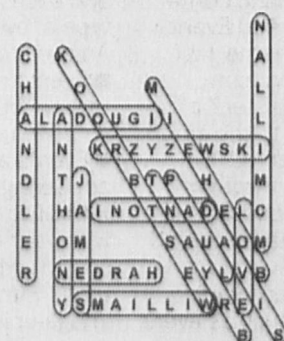
**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Consider moving beyond the usual methods to find a more creative means of handling a difficult on-the-job situation. Avoid confrontation and, instead, aim for cooperation.  
**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Seasonal change creates a new look for the outdoors. It also inspires Taureans to redo their own environments, and this is a good week to start redoing both your home and workplace. Enjoy.  
**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) A misunderstanding needs to be straightened out so the wrong impression isn't allowed to stand. If necessary, offer to support the use of a third party to act as an impartial arbitrator.  
**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) A career change offering what you want in money and responsibilities could involve moving to a new location. Discuss this with family members before making a decision.  
**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Feeling miffed over how you believe you were

treated is understandable. But before you decide to "set things straight," make sure the whole thing wasn't just a misinterpretation of the facts.  
**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Showing you care makes it easier to build trust and gain an advantage in handling a delicate situation. What you learn from this experience also will help you understand yourself better.  
**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Planning for the future is fine, especially if you include the roles that family members may be asked to play. Don't be surprised if some hidden emotions are revealed in the process.  
**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Making choices highlights much of the week, and you have a head start here, thanks to your ability to grasp the facts of a situation and interpret them in a clear-cut manner.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Carrying a torch can be a two-way situation: It can either keep you tied to the past or help light

your way to the future. The choice, as always, has to be yours.  
**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Your watchwords this week are: "Focus." "Focus." "Focus." Don't let yourself be distracted from what you set out to do. There'll be time later to look over other possibilities.  
**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A workplace opportunity might require changes you're not keen on making. Discuss the plusses and minuses with someone familiar with the situation before you make a decision.  
**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Love and romance are strong in your aspect this week. If you've already met the right person, expect your relationship to grow. And if you're still looking, odds are you'll soon be finding it.  
**BORN THIS WEEK:** You approach life in a wise and measured manner, which gives you an edge in many areas.

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## SOLUTIONS



3	5	6	2	7	4	9	8	1
4	7	8	1	9	5	6	3	2
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1	4	3	5	2	9	8	7	6
7	8	2	6	4	1	3	9	5
5	6	9	8	3	7	2	1	4



# CALENDAR

## HOW TO SUBMIT

Event information can be input online by following the directions at the bottom of this page, sent by email to [scalendar@wickedlocal.com](mailto:scalendar@wickedlocal.com) or sent by fax to 781-837-4543. Listings must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event. Photos should be a jpeg with a resolution of at least 200 dpi and no smaller than 3X5 inches in size. For more information call 508-591-6623.

## Wide Open Spaces plays Blue Moon Coffeehouse

**WHEN:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12  
**WHAT:** Wide Open Spaces will perform at the Blue Moon Coffeehouse in Rockland  
**INFO:** Bluegrass band Wide Open Spaces will perform at the Blue Moon Coffeehouse, at Channing Unitarian Universalist Church, 45 Webster St., Rockland. Between sets there will be an open mic. Tickets are \$10 at the door; children 12 and under are free. Pictured:



Band members Peter Anick, Chris Dombrowski, Matt Carlen, Marie Rocheleau-Demers, Glenn Nelson. **For information:** [www.thebluemooncoffeehouse.com](http://www.thebluemooncoffeehouse.com).

## Les Sampou Band plays the River Club March 12

**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Saturday, March 12  
**WHAT:** The Les Sampou Band will perform at the River Club in Scituate  
**INFO:** Les Sampou Band at the River Club Music Hall, 78 Border St., Scituate. Opening for the band are two of Sampou's Norwell Voice Studio students: Jill Fleming and Isa Diaz. Tickets are \$25.  
**For information:** 339-236-6786, [www.theriverclubmusicall.com](http://www.theriverclubmusicall.com).



## Friends in Song concert March 13 at James Library

**WHEN:** 5 p.m. Sunday, March 13  
**WHAT:** Friends in Song concert at the James Library in Norwell.  
**INFO:** Friends in Song will perform at the James Library & Center for the Arts, 24 West St., Norwell. "Banks and Braes: A Cappella in the Celtic Tradition" offers light concert repertoire featuring beloved and newly discovered tunes of the Celtic lands, including



sea shanties, ballads and contemporary selections. Suggested donation \$20 at the door, donations offered to the library. **For information:** 781-659-7100, [jameslibrary.org](http://jameslibrary.org).

## Friday, March 11

**DRILL CONDUCTOR TRAINING FOR COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN:** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Town Pier, 100 Central St., Brant Rock, Marshfield. One-day course meets latest drill conductor certification requirements for commercial fishermen. Offered at no cost by Fishing Partnership Support Services. Conducted by Coast Guard-certified marine safety instructors. Participants must have attended safety/survival training within past 12 months; upon successful completion, they will be certified to conduct emergency drills. Session includes classroom instruction and practice drills aboard local vessel. Preregistration recommended. Call Lori Caron: 781-635-0011.

**MARCH MOVIE MADNESS:** The Hitchcock Film Series, 2 p.m., watch a classic Hitchcock film at the Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield, every Friday during the month of March. Free event, no tickets required. Free popcorn and lemonade will be provided. Contact Rachel at the Reference Desk if you have any questions. Today: "The Birds." March 18: "Dial M for Murder." March 25: "Psycho." For information: 781-834-5535, [rbeen@ocln.org](mailto:rbeen@ocln.org).

**DOG WALK AND SENSORY HIKE:** 4-5:30 p.m., North Hill Marsh Wildlife Sanctuary, off Mayflower Street, Duxbury. Presented by Mass Audubon South Shore Sanctuaries. On this sensory adventure, both humans and canines are invited to share in the sights, sounds, and smells of the trail, and do some tracking. Take "doggie-bags," and be sure your dog is properly vaccinated and leashed, and friendly with people and other dogs. \$10/\$8 member adult. Preregistration is required. For information: 781-837-9400, [massaudubon.org/southshore](http://massaudubon.org/southshore).

**"GUYS AND DOLLS" PRESENTED BY COHASSET DRAMATIC CLUB:** 7:30 Thursday, Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays March 11-26, Cohasset Town Hall Theater, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset. General admission tickets are \$20. For information: 617-922-0280, [cohassetdramaticclub.org/guys-and-dolls](http://cohassetdramaticclub.org/guys-and-dolls).

**"DAMN YANKEES":** 7:30 p.m. at the Frolio Middle School Auditorium, 1171 Washington St., Abington. The baseball musical with "heart" will be presented by the Abington High School

Drama Club. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens, and will be available at the door.

**SOUL BOX WILL PERFORM:** 8 p.m., Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. No cover charge. For information: 781-340-1300, [thenextpagecafe.com](http://thenextpagecafe.com).

## Saturday, March 12

**SOUTH SHORE MODEL RAILWAY CLUB SPRING SHOW & OPEN HOUSE:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 52 Bare Cove Park Drive, Hingham. In addition to the club's operating layout and guest layouts, there will be dealer tables, a "white elephant" table and demonstrations of model railroad construction. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 seniors (65+), children (5-12, with an adult). For information: 781-740-2000, [www.ssmrc.org](http://www.ssmrc.org).

**SEED STARTING WORKSHOP:** 10 a.m. to noon, Holly Hill Farm, 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. Ongoing series on growing your own seeds, greens and early root crops. Informative, hands-on, productive workshop and get a head start on early Spring seedlings. Participants have an opportunity to take home free seeds and purchase packets of organic seed. Cost is \$12 members/\$15 non-members. For information: 781-383-6565, [hollyhillfarm.org](http://hollyhillfarm.org).

**ART APPRAISAL DAY:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., South Street Gallery, 149 South St., Hingham. Making appointments required. Hingham resident Arthur Garrity, a professional fine art appraiser, will offer verbal appraisals. Etchings, prints or original oil or watercolor paintings may be submitted for review. There is a fee of \$15 per one appraisal, \$25 for two appraisals or \$33 for three appraisals, with all of the proceeds being donated to the Hingham Historical Society's "Heritage Museum Project." There is a limit of three items per customer per visit. For appointment: 781-749-0430.

**POP-UP BOOK SIGNING BY KAREN COVEY:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at SouthField Winter Farmers Market. Covey will sign copies of her book "The Coastal Table: Recipes Inspired by the Farmlands and Seaside of Southern New England" at Shea Fitness Center, 495 Shea Memorial Drive, South Weymouth. The weekly market features farm fresh local produce, gourmet grab-and-go items, baked

goods, fresh fish, coffee, tea, dairy, meat, poultry and fresh juices. For information: 617-249-1105, [www.southfield.com](http://www.southfield.com)

**SOUTH SHORE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING:** 1:30 p.m. at the John Curtis Free Library, 534 Hanover St., Hanover. The program will be a presentation by Fred Wexler titled "Mining for Genealogy Gems in U. S. Civil War Records." Wexler is a past president of the Cape Cod Civil War Roundtable and was instrumental to the Kneeling Soldier preservation project in Dorchester. The public is invited to the meeting and presentation at no cost. For information: 781-826-2972, <https://sites.google.com/site/southshoregenealogicalsociety/home>.

**ADULT COLORING EVENT:** 2-3:30 p.m., Ventress Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield. The library will provide the supplies including coloring pages and colored pencils as well as serve light refreshments. If you already possess an adult coloring book please feel free to take it along. Adults only. Register online. For information: 781-834-5535, [www.ventresslibrary.org](http://www.ventresslibrary.org).

**STORY SLAM:** Hingham Public Library will host its first South Shore Story Slam at 2 p.m. at the library, 66 Leavitt St., Hingham. Prepare a true, five-minute story that you want to share with the audience. Put your name in the box and the host will pull names of participants who will tell their story for the audience and guest judges. Or participants can enjoy the stories and get a chance to vote for their favorite along with the judges. For information: 781-741-1405, [www.hinghamlibrary.org](http://www.hinghamlibrary.org).

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER AND DANCE:** 5-8:30 p.m. at Amvets Post 51, 9 Amvets Lane, Randolph. Traditional Irish dinner for \$15 each. Tickets are only available in advance at the bar or by calling. No tickets will be sold at the door. If you do not wish to have dinner there is no charge to listen and dance to the Michelle Rockwell Band who will be playing from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. For information: 781-249-4243.

**COMMEMORATIVE DINNER:** 6:30 p.m., Harbor Methodist Church, 55 First Parish Road, Scituate. Held by the Scituate Historical Society to mark the 60th anniversary of the Grounding of Etrusco on Cedar Point. Turkey dinner with all

the fixings, \$20. Guests will get a fuller understanding of this important historical event and have a chance to contribute their own memories. For information: 781-545-1083, [scituatehistoricalsociety.org](http://scituatehistoricalsociety.org).

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER AND AUCTION:** 6:30 p.m., Granite Links Golf Club, 100 Quarry Hill Drive, Quincy, to benefit students with special needs at Cardinal Cushing Centers in Hanover and Braintree. Sponsored by South Shore Bank. Reception at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$100 each, sponsorships available. For information: 781-829-1201, [ssmolak@cushingcenters.org](mailto:ssmolak@cushingcenters.org).

**SOUTH SHORE DANCERS EVENT:** 7:30-11 p.m., Cushing Memorial Hall, 673 Main St., Norwell. Music by DJ. Couples, singles, newcomers welcome. Celebration in Green theme (Dress suggestion: date night informal, St. Patrick's Day). Free 7:30 lesson, followed by ballroom dancing 8 to 11. Coffee, tea and light snacks provided. Smoke- and alcohol-free. Tickets \$12pp. Advance reservations strongly recommended. For information: 781-659-4703, [southshoredancers.org](mailto:southshoredancers.org).

**"DANCING UNDER THE STARS" COMPETITION:** 7:30 p.m., Congregation Sha'aray Shalom, 1112 Main St., Hingham, presented by the Congregation Sha'aray Shalom Sisterhood. Seven dance teams will be competing to raise money for the Temple's youth scholarship programs. There will also be a professional dance exhibition and complimentary swing lessons presented by John Paul and Anne Marie of DanceSport Boston. Ticket purchases for \$25, and donations supporting each of the competing couples, can be made on the Congregation Sha'aray Shalom website. Cocktails and desserts will be served. For information: 781-749-8103, [www.shaaray.org](http://www.shaaray.org).

**BLUEGRASS BAND WIDE OPEN SPACES WILL PERFORM:** 7:30 p.m., Blue Moon Coffeehouse, at Channing Unitarian Universalist Church, 45 Webster St., Rockland. Between sets there will be an open mic. Tickets are \$10 at the door; children 12 and under are free. For information, [www.thebluemooncoffeehouse.com](http://www.thebluemooncoffeehouse.com), [www.wideospaces.com](http://www.wideospaces.com).

**THE FORCE WILL PERFORM:** 8 p.m., Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. No cover charge. For information: 781-340-1300, [thenextpagecafe.com](http://thenextpagecafe.com).

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**JIM PLUNKETT TO PERFORM:** 8 p.m. to midnight, Haddad's Ocean Café, 291 Ocean St., Marshfield.

Tickets \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. Proceeds to benefit Marshfield High School Class of 2017. For information: 617-710-8553, 617-688-1351.

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**SOUTH SHORE CONSERVATORY WILL PRESENT "MADE IN AMERICA":** 4 p.m., SSC's Cox Hall, One Conservatory Drive, Hingham. The concert will feature tunes and songs from the vast and varied landscape of American roots music performed by the Conservatory's faculty of nearly 100 educator/performers. Admission is free. Following the performance, the audience is invited to stay, enjoy a bite to eat and visit with the musicians to learn more about them. For information: 781-749-7565, [www.sscmusic.org](http://www.sscmusic.org).

**ASO COMPETITION FINALE:** 4 p.m., House of Prayer, 916 Main St., Hingham. Cast your vote. Experience the drama of live solo performances by elite young professional musicians as they compete in the third and final round of the Atlantic Symphony Orchestra annual concerto competition. Accompanied by a staff pianist, each musician will perform their chosen music up close and personal before a panel of distinguished judges and the audience. The judges will select the top three prize winners. Meet the finalists afterward at an awards celebration included with your ticket. Tickets are \$10/\$25. For information: 781-331-3600 [www.atlanticsymphony.org](http://www.atlanticsymphony.org).

**FRIENDS IN SONG:** 5 p.m., James Library & Center for the Arts, 24 West St., Norwell. "Banks and Braes: A Cappella in the Celtic Tradition" offers light concert repertoire featuring beloved and newly discovered tunes of the Celtic lands, including sea shanties, ballads and contemporary selections. Suggested donation \$20 at the door, donations offered to the library. For information: 781-659-7100, [jameslibrary.org](http://jameslibrary.org).

## Monday, March 14

**SPEAKER AND HISTORIAN CHRISTOPHER DALEY:** 7 p.m., Hingham Public Library, 66 Leavitt St., Hingham. He will present "No Irish Need Apply," a 90-minute slide lecture that examines the many facets of the early Irish experience in Boston; from the Irish who

were brought over unwillingly as indentured servants in the late 17th century to the massive wave of immigration into Boston after the Great Potato Famine and the rise of the Irish within the sphere of Boston politics. Short vignettes on such Irish political leaders will be given. For information: 781-741-1405, [www.hinghamlibrary.org](http://www.hinghamlibrary.org).

## Thursday, March 17

**GLASTONBURY ABBEY LECTURE SERIES:** 7:15 p.m. at Glastonbury Abbey Conference Center, 20 Hull St., Hingham. Joseph Fire-Crow, Northern Cheyenne flutist and songwriter, will present "Listening to Other Voices." Lectures are free and all are welcome. No registration required; however, seating is on a first-come, first-seated basis. Donations gratefully received. For information: 781-749-2155, ext. 300.

**DIANE BLUE ON HARP AND VOCALS AND LISA MANN ON BASS WITH THE WILLIE J. LAWS BAND:** 8 p.m., to start, at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. Followed by open mic with Willie J. Laws. Jammers invited and welcome. Free pizza. For information: 781-340-1300, [thenextpagecafe.com](http://thenextpagecafe.com).

## Friday, March 18

**MARCH MOVIE MADNESS:** The Hitchcock Film Series, 2 p.m., watch a classic Hitchcock film at the Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield, every Friday during the month of March. Free event, no tickets required. Free popcorn and lemonade will be provided. Contact Rachel at the Reference Desk if you have any questions. Today: "Dial M for Murder." March 25: "Psycho." For information: 781-834-5535, [rbeen@ocln.org](mailto:rbeen@ocln.org).

**RAMSHACKLE ENTERTAINMENT TO PERFORM AT CHURCH HILL COFFEEHOUSE:** 7:30 to 9 p.m., Church Hill United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 11 Church St., Norwell. The Church Hill Coffeehouse is a monthly event featuring local entertainers. Desserts and coffee available. The event is held in the Fellowship Center of the Church. For information: 781-826-4763; [chumcnorwell.com](http://chumcnorwell.com).

**THE DRED SOX BAND:** 8 p.m., at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, [thenextpagecafe.com](http://thenextpagecafe.com).

**THE BAY PLAYERS WILL PERFORM THE PLAY "PROOF":** 8 p.m. March 18-19 and 25-26 at The First Parish Church, 842 Tremont St., Duxbury. To reserve tickets, send an email to: [tickets@bayplayers.org](mailto:tickets@bayplayers.org) or call. \$20 general admission; \$15 group ticket sales (all ages, 10 or more pre-paid tickets); \$18 students/seniors (65+ for seniors/all students with a valid school ID). For information: 781-269-9885, [www.bayplayers.org](http://www.bayplayers.org).

## HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR CALENDAR EVENT

Here are some tips on getting your event information posted to the Wicked Local calendar and included in this regional calendar:

**REGISTER:** Find the Events Calendar on your Wicked Local homepage in the bottom right portion on the website and click on the Add Event button. Click the Register link in the top right hand corner of your calendar page, above Add Event. Enter an email address, first name, last name, password, and password confirmation. Once you click "Register," a verification email will be sent to the email address with which you registered. Be sure to confirm your account through that email to complete the process. Once registered, you will have the ability to add events.

**ADD AN EVENT:** Click the Add Event button. Fill in required fields such as event title, date, time, category, and venue. Events may be set up to repeat daily,

weekly, monthly, or by manually adding additional dates.

### ADDITIONAL NOTES:

■ The more detail the better in the event description field and there is a section to provide optional contact information.

■ Categories are important for tagging events with discoverable search terms and eases a visitor's ability to find the type of events they are looking to attend. An event can have multiple categories.

■ Events must be matched to a known venue. You can also add a new venue if your venue is not listed.

■ Events are subject to review before appearing on the site.

**IMAGES:** Make sure to include an image with your event. Events with images command three times the attention than those without. EvieSays uses a simple image uploader with options to drag and drop or browse, so adding images to your event is easy.

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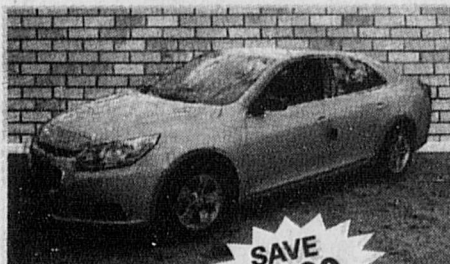
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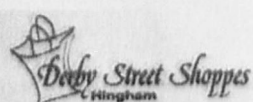
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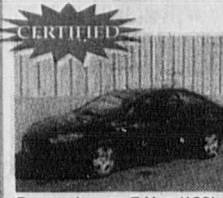


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